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# MINUTES

OF THE

## Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

58TH ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH

September 11, 12, 1954

Next Session Will Be Held With

MT. CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH

September 10, 11, 1955

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Introductory Sermon By

Rev. R. R. Campbell

Alternate

Rev. Gwyn Blackburn

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## CONSTITUTION

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

## MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

## OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

## POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of

their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make an-



nual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### **ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES**

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
I. W. Thomas,  
C. J. Woodson,  
J. E. Fletcher,  
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

### **RULES OF ORDER**

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoot's.

## Proceedings

The Alleghany Baptist Association met with Sparta Baptist Church, Sparta, N. C. for its 58th Annual Session.

**Saturday Morning, September 12, 1954, 10:00 A. M.**

The Alleghany Baptist Association opened the first day of its 58th annual meeting with Van Miller, Moderating.

The session was opened with hymns, "Stand Up For Jesus" and "Come Thou Almighty King."

Rev. Jack W. Byrd conducted the devotional.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

Rev. M. H. Kindall, Mars Hill College; Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff, Raleigh; Rev. S. L. Blevins, M. L. Blevins, A. C. Yale and Marvin Lyons, Stone Mtn. Association; Rev. C. L. Walker, Norfolk, Va.

Roll call of churches was read by Clerk. Deligates answered as follows:

Bellview — C. E. Jones, Mrs. Victor Jones.

Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Lena Edward, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brooks.

Laurel Springs — Charlie Roberts, Robert Joines, Tommy Moxley, F. T. Hart.

Liberty — A. O. Joines, Mrs. Evertt Hoppers.

Mt. Carmel — F. W. Royal, Mrs. Jane Royal and Mrs. Retha Spicer.

New Hope — Glenn Vestal and Dan Jones.

New River — Oscar Shumate.

Osborne Memorial — Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Minnich and Mrs. Andy Osborne.

Pine Fork — Jonnie Bryant, Posey Pruitt and Rob Hoppers.

Scottville — George Perry, W. F. Shepherd, James Church.

Sparta — Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Evans.

Welcome Home — Mr. G. R. Dixon.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by Chairman, A. O. Joines. The report was adopted.

The Moderator then read a letter from Bro. Ira T. Johnston of the Ashe Co. Baptist Association about both associations uniting in the interest of securing a missionary.

Report on Baptist publication by Mrs. Eugene Shepherd was read by Mrs. Walter Johnson. Report was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson. Report was adopted.

Mrs. Carl Barker, then gave an interesting talk of W. M. U. work in the association.

Report on evangelism by Rev. S. L. Blevins. Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff of the allied church league gave an address of the many evils of beverage alcohol and the money spent in North Carolina for whiskey and beer.

Report on missions by Mrs. A. O. Joines. The report was adopted, by the association.

R. K. Redwine gave an interesting address on the general work of our missions, their needs and benefits.

Hymn by congregation, "Savior More Than Life."

The Moderator then appointed the following committees.

Nominating Committee:

E. C. Minnich, Chairman; James Church and Ralph Evans. Time, place and preacher committee:

Clenal Richardson, Chairman; C. E. Jones and F. W. Royal.

Resolution Committee:

A. O. Joines, Chairman; Mrs. Paul Swanson and F. T. Hart.

Report was given on Evangelism by Rev. Jack Byrd. The report was adopted.

The Moderator then introduced Rev. C. H. McKnight, who preached the introductory sermon. He read from the 6th Chapter of St. Luke and using these four words for his text; "Can you limit God?"

The morning session was dismissed by Rev. M. H. Kindall.

Recess for Lunch.

Afternoon session opened with hymns by congregation, "I'll Live for Him." Rev. S. L. Blevins conducted the devotional. Rev. C. L. Walker led prayer.

The following visitors were then recognized and welcomed by moderator. Dr. W. K. McGee of Baptist Hospital; Rev. Rexford R. Campbell from Ashe Association; L. W. Sturdivant of New River Assoc.; Zelu A. Caudill of Home for Aged and Eugene Olive of Wake Forest College.

Report on Hospitals by Mrs. Paul Swanson. Report was adopted.

Dr. W. K. McGee then gave an address on the importance of Physical and Spiritual healing of the large number of members from this Association in our Baptist hospital. He also urged that this Association try to give more money to the hospital.

Report on Christian education by H. E. Singletary. The report was adopted.

Rev. M. H. Kendall then brought greeting from Mars Hill College and gave a report of the many nationalities that were enrolled there.

Eugene Olive gave a discussion on the Wake Forest College. Zeb A. Caudill, Supt. of the Home for the Aged, Albermarle, N. C. then gave an interesting address of the needs, "Spiritual and Physical" our Baptist Aged require.

Report on Vacation Bible School by Rev. W. M. Hamm. The report was adopted.

E. C. Minnich gave a report on the American Bible Society. The report was adopted.

Hymn by congregation.

Report of committee on time, place and preacher, by C. G. Richardson, Chairman, Time, Sept. 10-11; Place, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church; Preacher, Rev. R. R. Campbell.

Rev. R. R. Campbell gave an address on the need of Ashe and Alleghany Associations securing the services of a Missionary. A discussion on this followed.

A motion was made by E. C. Minnich that we cooperate with Ashe Association. A vote was then taken by Association which was unanimously favorable.

Saturday session was then dismissed by Rev. Edgar Castevens.

Sunday morning session September 12, 1954 — 10:00 a. m.

The session opened with the congregation singing hymns "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "I Am Thine O Lord."

The Devotional was conducted by Rev. C. H. McKnight who read from the 4th chapter of Ephesians and took his text from the following words of the 3rd verse: "In the Bond of Peace."

The moderator then welcomed the following visitors.

Dr. and Mrs. Wayland of Wake Forest College; Morris Grant of Baptist Orphanage.

Report of Associational Sunday Schools by Walter P. Johnson. The report was adopted.

After a standing introduction of four young boys from the Orphanage by Morris Grant, he read a few verses from the 1st Chapter of Luke, taking his text from the 36th verse. What Manner of Child will this be? He preached an inspiring sermon.

Report on Orphanages by Mrs. Ray Purlier, Read by Mrs. C. G. Richardson, report was adopted.

Report of resolution committee was made by Mrs. A. O. Joines. The report was adopted.

Hymn by Congregation, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Following this the Sparta Choir sang a special hymn.

The inspirational speaker was Dr. John T. Wayland, former pastor of the 1st Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro and Professor of Religious Education at South Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest. His subject was "The Supreme Beatitude," using the scripture "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The 58th session closed with hymn by congregation, "Take My Life and Let It Be." Followed by handshake of fellowship.

### REPORT ON AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

"Your English Bible speaks to my head, but my Chinese Bible speaks to my heart." These words of a Chinese student express a missionary principle true in all lands:

Every person must have the Bible in his own language if the Word of God is to speak to his heart.

The Bible is the missionary's chief tool. He uses it in every form of mission work. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where the human missionary cannot go, stay when he must leave and keep on working in a man's heart.

The American Bible Society aids in Bible translation, publishes the scriptures without note or comment and distributes them without profit, usually below cost. In cases of special need at home and abroad, they are given without charge. Scriptures for the blind are supplied in raised-letter systems and on talking book records. The society serves every form of Southern Baptist mission work around the world.

During 1953 the American Bible Society —  
— distributed throughout the world more than 15 million volumes of scriptures.

— in the U. S. A. distributed 9,726,391 scripture volumes in 81 languages.

— helped the Japan Bible Society to continue its systematic program of widespread distribution of the scriptures in that land.

— continued to supply scriptures in Korea, through the Korean Bible Society, for civilians, military personnel and prisoners of war.

— strengthened its work throughout Latin America, where scripture distribution by thousands of volunteer workers is producing outstanding missionary results.

— supplied some 500,000 volumes of scriptures for refugees in Western Germany and materials for 400,000 Bibles and treatments in iron curtain countries.

— provided 1,301,145 scripture volumes for our own Armed Forces, bringing the number supplied since 1940 to more than 12 million volumes.

— received gifts which made possible its largest budget — and adopted for 1954 an even greater program to meet expanding needs for scriptures around the world.

### Southern Baptists' Part In The Work

In 1953, Southern Baptist churches gave \$102,010 to the American Bible Society.

Gifts from churches of all denominations totaled \$785,897. Southern Baptist gifts continued to stand in second place, exceeded only by Methodist gifts of \$148,724.

Has your church given to the American Bible Society this year?

The help of every Southern Baptist church is needed. Every church can give at least these amounts each year:

Country and village churches \$10 to \$25.

Churches in small cities \$25 to \$100.

Larger churches \$100 to \$200.

Great city churches \$200 to \$500 or more.



Please send gifts to your Baptist state office marked "for the American Bible Society."

Respectfully submitted by E. C. Minnick.

### REPORT ON BAPTIST PUBLICATIONS

Never before have Baptists had such opportunities to promote the Lord's work through vital christian literature. The printed page is powerful. People tend to become like the things they read and absorb in their minds and hearts. The flood of bad literature has spread over our land, with almost every newstand, drug store, bus station, and even grocery stores, selling objectionable comic books, bad magazines, lurid books and periodicals, that the U. S. mails refuse to carry. This bad literature very often finds its way into Baptist homes, and its pages are filled with seeds of evil. Wider reading of good Christian literature would soon destroy the thirst for the bad. Baptists have a great opportunity — to provide the best reading matter they can get for their homes.

At the top of the list of Christian literature should come the Bible. Other literature from our own presses are the following:

"Charity and Children," a publication from our orphanage.

"The Commission," a publication on Foreign Missions.

"For Home Missions," Open Windows, may be used in our homes for devotional reading.

Literature from our Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., used in our Sunday Schools.

Woman's Missionary Union literature which is so educational for young and old. The Biblical Recorder our state denominational paper is probably the most important publication to N. C. Baptists. It covers the entire field of our Baptist work. Without our state Baptist paper successful promotion of our Lord's work in all Baptist channels would be well nigh impossible. Wise pastors, associational missionaries, consecrated Baptist leaders have over the years promoted its circulation; and they have rejoiced to see the fruits of much good reading. People always do more when they know more. As they read they lead. As they are informed they are inspired. People usually are not interested in, will not support that which they do not know about.

May we earnestly urge all pastors, deacons, superintendents, W. M. U. leaders and others to work faithfully to keep our best literature in every home possible and insist that it be read with diligence.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Eugene W. Shepherd.

### REPORT ON ORPHANAGES

The Catholics have said that if it were not for Southern Baptists, they could win the entire nation. So as true Christians may we through prayer and meditation, renew our efforts toward all that Southern Baptists stand for. Let us give and give gladly to support our mission work.

Surely there is no worthier cause among these than our

orphanages which are engaged in producing human, rather than financial dividends.

As you know we have the Mills Home at Thomasville, the Kennedy Home near Kinston. These homes are managed by a very balanced board of trustees, with W. C. Reed as superintendent. More than 800 children are cared for through the facilities of the two homes. Altogether this year has been very successful since new cottages have been completed and around 70 more children are being cared for than at this time last year.

Each week "Charity and Children" goes into 40,000 homes. Through this publication we are able to keep informed of the work done at the orphanages.

And so in conclusion I quote this verse:

"What! Giving again? I ask in dismay,

And must I keep giving and giving away?

Oh, no, said the angel looking me through

Just keep giving till the Master stops giving to you."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ray Parlier.

Temperance is an old subject. It has been spoken and preached about for the past 75 years and there has not been a great deal of fruit in evidence. Not until the home joins forces with the church against Enemy No. 1 — to all that is dear to us — will we see any fruit. It is necessary that we unite our prayers, daily living and voting against this great evil.

S. L. Blevins.

### W. M. U. REPORT

The Woman's Missionary Union of this Association is striving to enlist and organize more women and young people in our churches, that they may acquire and distribute more of the Missionary information of the Bible and the needs of the world; and realize that we should have, in the words of W. F. Powell, "One Master — One Message — One Mission." He also said, "We need great Christians today. We cannot help make the world better until we become better than the world. We need Missionary Consecration to save us from worldliness and selfishness and sin. Before we can conquer the world for Christ we must be conquered and controlled by Christ."

We are grateful for the two new organizations, a Sunbeam Band and a Royal Ambassador Chapter, also a Business Woman's Circle.

The forty-nine women and thirty-eight young people of our Associational W. M. U. gave \$200.00 during the past year for State, Home and Foreign Missions.

May the love of Christ constrain us to let our interest in spreading the gospel message increase so that next year we may be able to report many more organizations, as we make His message — One Mission — and crown Him Lord; ever bearing in mind the words of our State W. M. U. watchword: "For ye serve the Lord Christ" Col. 3:24.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. E. Richardson.



### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

In the past year your Executive Committee has had three meetings. The attendance should have been better for several churches were not represented. At the first meeting the Executive Committee approved the improvements made at the parsonage.

In accordance with the recommendation of your Executive Committee at our last Association, two meetings were held in an effort to secure a part time Associational Missionary. Some of the churches heartily approved and pledged full cooperation. Such a leader would coordinate the entire work of the Association, help organize the work in the various churches, and assist pastors to live on the fields. Only then will all phases of work prosper.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines, Chairman Executive Committee.

### **REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

The Vacation Bible Schools should be the aim of all the churches. The children are eager to learn the Bible and their minds are plastic in our hand in the Vacation Bible School. They work, sing, read the Bible and learn how to share with each other. Each church should endeavor to sponsor its own school and start planning now for next year. This year 184 were enrolled in the different schools in five churches.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Willie Hamm.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPRECIATION**

The 1954 annual session of the Alleghany Association meeting with the Sparta Baptist church was marked by vital spiritual experience and unity of thought and action.

Therefore be it resolved that we express our thanks:

1. To Rev. J. W. Byrd, the host pastor, and to Sparta Church for the hospitality and marvelous manner in which they have planned for every need of messengers and visitors.

2. To the untiring efforts of the moderator and clerk and for the splendid program that they arranged.

3. To each taking part on the program and for their inspiration and information.

4. To ministers who brought such timely and wonderful devotionals and sermons. Especially are we fortunate to have the closing sermon delivered by Dr. John T. Wayland, member of faculty of Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest.

We leave with profound gratitude to God for His blessings during these two days and urge all pastors and members to do more in their communities for the cause of Christ during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines,  
Mrs. Paul Swanson,  
F. T. Hart.

## MISSIONS REPORT

The spirit of missions whether state, home, or foreign is the same. There are two passages of scripture which we should keep in our thinking about missions. Jesus said, "The field is the world." Matt. 13:28, and Paul says in Ephesians 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of the world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Jesus was speaking about people who live in the world and Paul was assuring us that winning the world to Christ is a spiritual warfare. Christ spoke of His Kingdom as being world wide. He used the terms, "all the world," "every creature," "the whole creation."

## STATE MISSIONS

The object of state missions is to win the people of North Carolina to Christ as Saviour and lead them into church fellowship.

From a very small beginning state mission is now carrying on a large and varied program. Last year our State Convention reorganized for administrative purposes and Dr. E. L. Spivey was selected as secretary of the state missions department. His definite line of work includes various activities. Among them are: Evangelism, missionary pastors, Baptist Student Union, work at institutions, Sunday Schools, Training Union, ministry to silent people, language groups, etc.

A survey reveals that there are two million lost souls in North Carolina. Is it not time to be about our Father's business?

## HOME MISSIONS

The home mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention is charged with mission work in the area of the Southern Baptist. It is composed of twenty-two states and four outposts. (Cuba, Panama, Canal Zone and Alaska).

Dr. Courfs Redford is secretary with headquarters in Atlanta. During 1953 the Home Mission Board had 937 regular missionaries who reported 31,849 conversions, and 284 newly constituted churches. Through the years, since its organization in 1845, the home mission board has organized one-third of the churches within its bounds.

The radio hour sponsored weekly is estimated to reach 11,000,000 people listening.

The board is sending missionaries endeavoring to reach the 263,000 Indians, who have a peculiar claim on us because the white man took from them their land and natural resources. The best way to pay this debt is to give them the Lord Jesus Christ, who is a treasure far greater than anything they formerly had.

The Home Mission Board would like to call on Baptist throughout the Convention to size the urgency of home missions task, and pledge anew their prayers and support in meeting the challenge confronting it.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

Southern Baptist have a world wide ministry. Foreign Missions is the term applied to the work we are doing in lands other than our own. Space does not permit a lengthy discussion of the work being done in Europe, Africa, Near East, Latin America, the Orient, and Isles of the seas in detail. It includes preaching, teaching, healing and helping those in need. Efforts are being made to train native Christians for places of leadership in the work, then if for any reason missionaries are withdrawn evangelism may go on.

Dr. James Baker Cauthan, of Richmond, Virginia, is Foreign Mission secretary, since the death of Dr. T. M. Rankin.

"And how shall they believe in whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" Romans 10:15. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all man."

Mrs. A. O. Joines,  
Chairman of Committee.

## HOSPITAL REPORT

"Give and it shall be given unto you," said Jesus; and this is especially true for all who give themselves as channels for God's power to bless the world. The results in our lives are most enriching. Most priceless is that sensitive awareness of spiritual realities which grow in us. Like the sense of beauty to the artist, it transfigures everything into radiance. One is never lonely or blue when God is so near.

On a high hill over looking Winston-Salem, is an institution, it stands like a beacon of light, to suffering humanity, they enter sick and leave stronger in health, because of the fine nursing that the Baptist hospital has to offer.

There are those who enter who are unable to pay even a small part poor living conditions, too rigid economy, and nothing left to meet emergency; and all of these things combine to increase our financial burden.

Here is where the Mother's Day offering comes in to help, and this year it was short ten thousand dollars of what we reached in last year's donations. And yet they never turned away anyone who comes, from a newspaper account, they say we have operated on a loss for the first six months of the year.

Remember to take Mother's Day offerings.

Fellow Baptists, these are your brothers and sisters. This is your hospital. You built it to care for these needy sick. We challenge you in the name of Christ and sick humanity. Will you ring true?

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Paul Swanson.

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Baptist of North Carolina have reason to be proud of their efforts in the field of Christian Education. Locally the Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood are doing a wonderful job of Christian Education in our churches, yet the surface has only been scratched.

Baptist in North Carolina own seven colleges with a total

enrollment of 4,771 students. Last year 433 were being trained for the ministry and 236 for Mission Volunteer work.

Wake Forest and Meredith are four year colleges while Mars Hill, Wingate, Gardner Webb, Campbell and Chowany are Junior colleges.

Through the cooperative program, North Carolina Baptist contributed 417,606.00 of the \$4,000,000.00, the total operating cost of these seven colleges, the remaining cost came from students fees, endowments incomes, and other gifts. We only pay half of the operating cost.

It seems that Baptist of this state and south have a wonderful opportunity to continue to forge ahead in the field of Christian Education. May each one of us do our part in this worthy undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. E. Singletary.

### **REPORT ON EVANGELISM**

Baptists have always been noted for their evangelistic fervor. This is true since they have through the years endeavored to remain true to the word of God. We have taken quite seriously the words of our Lord, and Savior such as "go ye," "all men," "everywhere," and "uttermost." These words of Jesus continously call us to action. Our efforts to reach people for salvation and service must ever be the main mission and message of our churches. This above everything else ought to undergird every phase of our church life.

A number of effective revivals were held this year among the churches in our association, and many of the lost were won to a saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Our objective this year is to have every church in Alleghany Association to participate in the 1955 Nationwide Crusade of Evangelism. Therefore our Baptist Convention meeting in Greensboro last year went on record as favoring this crusade and every Baptist church in our convention has been asked to participate in the crusade. The date for our crusade will be April 10 - 24, 1955. The churches of our association will want to cooperate and participate in this mighty crusade for Christ.

James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board says, "Often men are willing to give mental approval to the worthy project of evangelism, however, than they are to go out in an aggressively evangelistic endeavor and give their best in time and talent to win the world to Christ. As a consequence, it takes about twenty people in the average church an entire to win one person to Christ and salvation. The result is that progress is to slow, and the impact and influence of our message is not as fully felt as it might be."

Surely the words of Mr. Sullivan are tragically true of us in Alleghany Association. In the coming year let us seek more earnestly to win the lost to Christ. This can be done more effectively by increasing our army of soul winners and by increasing the prospects for evangelism. Let us make this coming year one of our best for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack W. Byrd.

**MEMORIAL OUR BELOVED DEAD**

Belview .....	Bro. George Blevins
Laurel Springs .....	Mr. W. A. Pruitt
Liberty .....	Bro. Robert Joines
Liberty .....	Miss Agnes Watson
New River .....	Bro. J. P. Maines
New River .....	Bro. Preston Maines
New River .....	Mrs. Annie Maines
New River .....	Mrs. Jennie Billings
Osborne Memorial .....	Mrs. J. M. Osborne
Pine Fork .....	Mrs. Cynthia Hart
Pine Fork .....	Bro. Steve Osborne
Scottville .....	Mrs. Maggie Nuckolls

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location, Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Male Membership	Female Membership	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	State Paper in Budget	No. Missions Supported by Ch.	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Bellview	...	R 1909		4 C. H. McKnight, Independence	2	0	1	41	9	50	10	40	1	0	0	3	131.00
Chestnut Grove	...	R 1889	1	3 Edgar Castevins, Cycle, N. C.	19	4	0			49	17	32	2	0	0	0	150.00
Laurel Springs	...	R 1891	2	4 S. L. Blevins, Hays, N. C.	1	2	2	43	22	65			1	0	0	0	600.00
Liberty	...	V 1881	3	S. L. Blevins, Hays, N. C.	0	0	2	26	25	51			1	0	0	5	300.00
Mt. Carmel	...	R 1884	1	Everett Shaw, Glade Valley	0	0	3	36	42	78	32	46	1	0	0	0	
New Hope	...	R 1881	1	3 Bill Pruitt, Hays, N. C.	0	1	4	27	9	36			1	0	0	0	350.00
New River	...	R 1939		3 A. K. Taylor, Independence	19	0	4	50	25	75	27	48	150	0	0	0	50.00
Osborne Mem.	...	R 1943		2 C. H. McKnight, Independence	0	0	1			95			0	0	0	0	406.00
Pine Fork	...	R 1898	1	4 Charlie Richardson, N. Wilkesboro	6	1	5	58	13	71	17	54	2	0	0	0	130.00
Scottville	...	R 1926	2	3 Wiley Carroll, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	1	51	31	82			0	0	0	0	42.00
Sparta	...	T 1886	1	2 3 4 Jack W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	14	9	6	148	58	206	77	129	1	11	0	0	3,350.00
Welcome Home	...	R 1950	1	3 F. Paul Brannock, Galax, Va.	0	0	0	56	14	61	21	40	0	0	0	0	50.00



TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School En.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Bellview .....	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs .....	0	0	6	0	5	16	25	0	4	0	0	56	20	12	12	0	0
Chestnut Grove ...	Garnett La Rue, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	5	0	4	0	7	0	32	0	0	0	48	23	0	0	0	0
Laurel Springs ...	Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	0	2	2	3	9	2	9	15	3	6	0	51	22	45	42	Yes	0
Liberty .....	James C. Caudill, Sparta, N. C. ....	2	0	4	6	2	2	1	8	0	2	0	27	10	93	22	Yes	0
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C. ....													30	0	0	0	0
New Hope .....	H. M. Wyatt, Scottville, N. C. ....	0	0	12	0	10	12	0	20	0	0	0	54		18	18	0	0
New River .....	Oscar Shumate, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	0	12	0	14	0	34	0	3	0	60	45	0	0	0	0
Osborne Memorial	E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek, N. C. ....	0	13	5	10	7	7	8	40	0	0	0	90	40	0	0	0	0
Pine Fork .....	Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	0	0	5	5	5	5	0	20	0	0	0	40	26	0	0	0	0
Scottville .....	W. F. Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N. C. ...	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	8	0	0	0	20	15	0	0	0	0
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C. ....	18	16	21	40	46	29	25	70	0	6	0	271	136	76	65	0	1
Welcome Home ..	G. R. Dixon, Pinnacle, N. C. ....	0	0	0	15	10	25	25	0	0	0	0	75	35	0	0	0	0



TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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## TABLE E — BROTHERHOOD WORK

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TABLE F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES												
All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense	
Bellview .....	291.00			25.00		34.00	42.00	21.00	122.00	131.00	252.00	
Chestnut Grove .....	253.00			3.00		100.00				150.00	253.00	
Laurel Springs .....		73.00		32.00	40.00	100.00		400.00	645.00	600.00	1,245.00	
Liberty .....	603.00	192.00		20.00	35.00	32.00			237.00	300.00	537.00	
Mt. Carmel .....	294.00		110.00	19.00	18.00	33.00		59.00	239.00		239.00	
New Hope .....				30.00	24.00	33.00		15.00	101.00	357.00	457.00	
New River .....				6.00		65.00			80.00	50.00	205.00	
Osborne Memorial .....					21.00			34.00	55.00	406.00	461.00	
Pine Fork .....		13.00		42.00		89.00		92.00	236.00	130.00	366.00	
Scottville .....				12.00		29.00		15.00	43.00		86.00	
Sparta .....	8,247.00	242.00	926.00	355.00		162.00		2,304.00	4,222.00	3,340.00	7,562.00	
Welcome Home .....	130.00			24.00		50.00			74.00	50.00	124.00	

TABLE G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

## CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Other Objects	Total Expenditure For Missions	Grand Total Expenditure For All Purposes
Bellview — C. E. Jones, Furches, N. C. . . . .	10.00	8.00	8.00	0	0	0	10.00	10.00	0	39.00	291.00
Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Howard Brooks, Sparta							10.00	10.00	0		123.00
Laurel Springs — Mrs. Van Miller . . . . .	161.00		30.00	11.00	16.00	0	99.00	43.00	0	360.00	1,605.00
Liberty — James C. Caudill, Sparta, N. C. . . . .	12.00		5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	22.00	9.00	0	71.00	608.00
Mt. Carmel — F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C. . . . .									7.00	32.00	271.00
New Hope — Dan J. Jones, Stratford, N. C. . . . .			9.00		6.00		17.00	3.00	14.00	49.00	506.00
New River — Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va. . . . .											205.00
Osborne Mem. — Jim L. Osborne, Sparta, N. C. . . . .				10.00				30.00			462.00
Pine Fork — Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs . . . . .							5.00	8.00			379.00
Scottville — Mrs. Laura Shepherd, Laurel Spgs. . . . .	4.00						4.00				108.00
Sparta — H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C. . . . .	168.00	18.00	30.00	38.00	81.00	72.00	50.00	50.00	18.00		8,095.00
Welcome Home — . . . . .	15.00							5.00			272.00

## HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Chcek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. I. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones		W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	T. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Gov Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26. 1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek

30. 1926,	Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31. 1927,	Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32. 1928,	Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33. 1929,	Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34. 1930,	Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35. 1931,	Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932,	Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933,	Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38. 1934,	Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39. 1935,	Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40. 1936,	Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41. 1937,	Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42. 1938,	Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43. 1939,	Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44. 1940,	Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45. 1941,	Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46. 1942,	Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47. 1943,	Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48. 1944,	Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49. 1945,	Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50. 1946,	Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51. 1947,	Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52. 1948,	Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53. 1949,	Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54. 1950,	Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55. 1951,	Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
56. 1952,	Sep. 13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	E. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton
57. 1953,	Sep. 12-13	Bellview	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	H. J. Ford	W. F. Doughton
58. 1954,	Sep. 11-12	Sparta	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines







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Rev. Everett Shaw	Glade Valley, N. C.



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 Rev. Charlie Richardson ----- North Wilkesboro, N. C.

### CONSTITUTION

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

### MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

### OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

### POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association ad interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
I. W. Thomas,  
C. J. Woodson,  
J. E. Fletcher,  
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

### RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.
3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.
4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.
5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.
6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.
7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.
8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoot's.

### PROCEEDINGS

The Alleghany Baptist Association met with Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Glade Valley, N. C., for its 59th Annual Session, Saturday, September 10, 1955, at 10:00 A.M.

The Association opened the first day of its 59th annual session with Moderator Van Miller presiding. The session was opened with hymns, "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "Stand Up For Jesus." The devotional was conducted by Rev. S. L. Blevins.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed by the Moderator:

Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Blevins, A. B. Hayes, A. C. Yale and Marvin Land, all from Stone Mountain Association.

W. R. Kimberlin, Elkin Association.

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK— BUILDING—GOALS—CHURCH LIBRARY— CHURCH MUSIC—VISUAL EDUCATION—	BROTHERHOOD	BUILDING	GOALS	CHURCH LIBRARY	CHURCH MUSIC	VISUAL EDUCATION	
						Motion Picture Projector	
Belview Chestnut Grove Laurel Springs Liberty	No. Meetings Held		Goal Association missions coming Year			Film-strip Projector	No
	Total Brotherhood Enrolment		Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year			Church Had Music Training Course	No
	No. Meetings Held					Use Church Musician Magazine	yes
	R. A. Enrolment					Music Budget	30 25.00
Mt. Carmel New Hope New River Osborne Memorial	No. Meetings Held		Total Church Debt at End of Year			Total Choir Enrolment	2
	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment		Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home			Number Choirs	yes
	No. Meetings Held		Value Pastor's Home				
	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment						
Pine Fork Scottville Sparta Ben G. Reeves, Sparta, N. C.							

**Table F and G**

**TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES**

<b>CHURCHES</b>		<b>TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES</b>	<b>Total Gifts for All Purposes</b>	<b>Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)</b>	<b>Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.</b>	<b>New Buildings and Equipment</b>	<b>Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.</b>	<b>Local Missions and Benevolences</b>	<b>Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply</b>	<b>Other Local Expenses</b>	<b>Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)</b>	<b>Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)</b>	<b>Grand Total Local Expense</b>
Belview		C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs, N.C.	414.00		200.00		14.00		21.00	11.00	252.00	120.00	372.00
Chestnut Grove		Oddie Edwards, Whitehead, N.C.	353.00				4.00		99.00		103.00	200.00	303.00
Laurel Springs		Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N.C.	3340.00		130.00	2000.00	59.00	9.00	135.00	159.00	2492.00	600.00	3092.00
Liberty		John Blum Whitehead, N.C.	676.00	317.00				33.00	38.00		387.00	224.00	611.00
Mt. Carmel		F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N.C.	559.00		819.00		5.00	29.00	80.00	34.00	668.00		968.00
New Hope		Mrs. Dan Jones, Scottville, N.C.	411.00				31.00	12.00	30.00	18.00	97.00	294.00	378.00
New River		C. H. Pollard, Sparta, N.C.	128.00		16.00					28.00	14.00	50.00	137.00
Osborne Memorial		Mrs. Harry Youngs, Sparta, N.C.	306.00				29.00	62.00	31.00	15.00	138.00	191.00	329.00
Pine Fork		Posie Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N.C.					36.00		98.00	86.00	221.00	163.00	384.00
Scottville		James Church, Scottville, N.C.	60.00				75.00		20.00	10.00	32.00	134.00	211.00
Sparta		Ralph E. Evans, Sparta, N.C.	5767.00	234.00	298.00		426.00	25.00	185.00	723.00	1890.00	3469.00	5359.00



Rev. A. B. Frazier, Associational Missionary, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Edwards, Northern District of Maryland Association.

Lawson Allen, Kings Mountain Association.

M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College.

D. C. Severt, Ashe Association.

E. L. Spivey, Raleigh Association.

Roll call of churches by Moderator, delegates answered as follows:

BELLVIEW—Mrs. Dempsey Blevins and Mrs. Annie Osborne.

CHESTNUT GROVE—Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor and Lenna Edwards.

LAUREL SPRINGS—T. S. Moxley, Robert Joines and Mrs. Jim Saunders.

LIBERTY—A. O. Joines, John Blum, Talmage Hamm and Mrs. W. O. McCracken.

MT. CARMEL—Paul Woodruff, A. C. Caudill, Hardin Spicer and F. W. Royal.

NEW HOPE—Paul Swanson, Glen Vestal and Dan Jones.

NEW RIVER: Robert L. Reeves.

OSBORNE MEMORIAL—Ray Palier, E. C. Minnich and Harry Young.

PINE FORK—U. S. Myres, Posey Pruitt, Everette Taylor and Johnny Bryant.

SCOTTVILLE—W. F. Shepherd and George Perry.

SPARTA—Mrs. Annie Porter, Jack W. Byrd, H. E. Singletary and Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wagoner.

WELCOME HOME—

All churches were represented except Welcome Home.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by A. O. Joines, the report was adopted. Brother Joines then introduced Rev. A. B. Frazier, the Associational Missionary who made a short talk pertaining to his work with the Alleghany and Ashe Associations.

Report on Baptist Publications was made by Mrs. Jim Saunders. Report was adopted.

C. W. Bazemore gave an interesting address on the importance of getting the Baptist paper into all the homes.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson. Report was adopted. Mrs. Richardson then introduced Mrs. Jim Claffee who gave an interesting talk on the importance of W. M. U. work.

Report on Missions by Rev. Jack Byrd. Report was adopted.

Dr. E. L. Spivey gave an address on Mission Schools. He stressed the fact that Missions should be at the top of all giving in each church in the Association.

Song by the congregation, "In the Sweet By and By." The Moderator then called on Rev. R. R. Campbell who preached the introductory sermon. He read from the 3rd chapter of 1st Corinthians, then asked Rev. Gwyn Blackburn to lead in prayer, after which he took his text from the 21st verse, he used these words, "All things are yours."

Recess for lunch.

Rev. M. H. Kendall returned thanks for the food.

of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Afternoon session opened with hymns, "Crown Him Lord of All." The devotional was conducted by Rev. A. B. Frazier, who read from the 15th chapter of Luke.

The following visitors were then recognized by the Moderator:

Rev. R. M. Hauss, Allied Church League.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Olive, Wake Forest College.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pepper, Baptist Hospital.

The Moderator then appointed the following committee: Nominating Committee: Chairman, H. E. Singletary, Mrs. Paul Swanson and F. W. Royal.

Time, place and preacher committee:

Chairman: A. O. Joines, Dan Jones and Robert Joines.

Resolutions Committee: Chairman, Rev. Jack Byrd, Mrs. A. O. Joines and E. C. Minnich.

Report on Evangelism by Rev. C. H. McKnight. the report was adopted.

Report on Hospital by Elder Willie Hamm, report was adopted.

Dr. Kenneth Pepper than gave a report on the free service offered at the hospital by the Mother's Day offering. He also emphasized the need of further increasing this offering.

Report on Christian Education was given by Mrs. Jene Irwin, report was adopted.

Following this report, Rev. Eugene Olive introduced Rev. Lawson Allen of Gardner-Webb College and Rev. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College, who gave interesting talks on the importance of educating our young christians.

Eugene Olive closed the reports on our colleges by informing the Association that the colleges would receive a larger share of money from the cooperative program in the future.

Song by the congregation, "Work For the Night Is Coming."

R. M. Hauss of the Allied League than gave an address. His topic was "The Number One Problem," beverage alcohol.

Report on Baptist Homes for Aged by A. O. Joines, the report was adopted.

Report on Vacation Bible Schools by Paul Swanson, the report was adopted.

Report on American Bible Society by E. C. Minnich, the report was adopted.

At this time, the Moderator called on the committees for reports.

Report of Nominating Committee by chairman, H. E. Singletary; the report was adopted.

Report on Time, Place and Preacher by chairman, A. O. Joines; this report was adopted.

The congregation was dismissed with prayer.

**SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 11, 1955, 10:00 A.M.**

The session opened with a hymn by congregation, "Send the Light." The devotional was conducted by Rev. Jack W. Byrd. He read from the 12th chapter of Romans and took the first verse as his text.

The Moderator then recognizes and welcomes the following visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Reed from the Liberty Association and Rev. Zeb A. Caudill, Superintendent of the Home for the Aging at Albemarle, N. C.

Report on Associational Sunday School by Mrs. T. S. Moxley. The report was adopted.

Report on the Orphanages by Mrs. Wayne Church. The report was read by Miss Sallie Shepherd and was adopted.

After which Mr. W. C. Reed gave an interesting address on our children in the orphanages. He read a few verses from the 1st chapter of Luke, using these words from the 36th verse, "What manner of child shall this be." He gave this council to the Association, that you must start from the inside to make a child into a christian.

At this time, Rev. Jack W. Byrd called upon the congregation for a hymn and prayer in honor of our beloved dead. Hymn, "Shall We Gather At the River," was sung and Brother Byrd led prayer.

The closing sermon of the day was inspiring given by Rev. Zeb A. Caudill of the Home for the Aged. He read from the 20th chapter of Matthew, taking his text from the 20th verse.

The report of the Resolution Committee was given by E. C. Minnich, the report was adopted.

The 59th session closed with hymn by the congregation, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds;" handshake of Fellowship.

**REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

We are profoundly grateful that a part time Associational Missionary has been secured for this county. We urge all churches to give full cooperation to this efficient Christian worker who will try to organize and coordinate the work in the entire association. We believe all phases of work will prosper when we give more time and energy to the Lord's work.

We should support heartily our missionary, our pastors and the objects fostered by our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. O. Joines, Chairman  
Executive Committee

**REPORT ON BAPTIST PUBLICATIONS**

The printed page has great power. Its message can go to many places where the spoken word and sermons cannot be heard.

Christian Literature is a mighty force for good in promoting the Lord's work and in sowing seeds of righteousness in the minds of people today. The Devil also uses the power of the printed word today

as never used before. There is a vast flood of literature that promotes paganism, worldliness and downright evil thoughts and deeds. Some of these things often get into Baptist homes. This shouldn't be. We should seek out and use good Christian Literature that is to be had today.

We have an excellent variety that comes from the Baptist presses. The Baptists have a fine array of wholesome inspiring literature for all ages. The aim of it all is to inform the people and enlist them in God's work; to indoctrinate them in Baptist truths; to uphold the Bible and its teachings, and to point out the great sweep of Baptist work that claims the finest efforts of all who serve God. Christian Literature must be read in our homes and churches if the whole program of Christ is to be carried out by Baptists working together.

When the North Carolina Baptist Convention was organized in 1830, its main purpose, as stated in its Constitution, was: "The promotion of missions, education, social service, and the distribution of sound religious literature."

Shortly afterwards in 1833, the "Biblical Recorder" was founded, and for a period of 122 years it has borne the true message of Baptist life, growth and thought in North Carolina. No Baptist home in North Carolina is outside the reach of the "Recorder" each week. It should be in every Baptist home in our state.

The Bible should top the list of literature in our homes, and among the literature that comes from our presses beside the "Biblical Recorder," is the literature from our Baptist Sunday School Board used in our Sunday School work. W. M. U., Royal Service, The Commission, a publication on Foreign Missions, "The Home Life," a Christian Family magazine for Home Missions, (Open Windows), "Charity and Children," a publication from our orphanage, and many others.

We must all work together in the will of God as we strive to promote every cause dear to the hearts of our Baptist people.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jim Sanders

#### REPORT OF W. M. U.

There is a mingled feeling of gratitude and regret as this report of Woman's Missionary Union is brought to the Association again. We are indeed grateful to God for leading those persons into more consecrated service which has made possible the gains in membership, giving, observance of seasons of prayer, mission study and community missions.

Our present membership is 119 or an increase of 20% and the same rate of increase is noticed in the amount of our gifts over last year which total \$243.51. Much of the credit for these increases is due the Young People's organizations. There is a new G. A. at Liberty

and three girls from the Association attended the Regional G. A. Camp at Camp Butler this summer, where they had an opportunity to be influenced by religious leaders and missionaries.

The Sparta W. M. S., under the leadership of Mrs. Will Johnson, is to be commended for nearing its goal of becoming standard this year for the first time. The W. M. U. is fully graded except for a Y. W. A. organization.

Our annual meeting was held with Sparta church and we were honored and delighted to have our State W. M. U. President, Mrs. Gordon Maddrey and Miss Carol Leigh Humphries as our guest speakers. Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. James of Elkin were also present and took part on the program.

In June Mrs. Van Miller, Associational Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. C. G. Richardson, Young People's Leader and your W. M. U. Superintendent, attended the Executive Council meeting at Meredith College, Raleigh, and received much information and inspiration.

Community Missions is a very important phase of our plan of work as women allow God's will to be their purpose in their local communities. "They should have an earnest desire to learn what and how to do for Christ and apply the principles of Christ in personal service right where they live and thereby exemplify Christian character in action and proclaim the message of Christ in attitudes and deeds." (Quotation from State C. M. chairman).

Although what we do may seem very small, if we are willing to be used for Christ, He is able to make our little a blessing.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. R. E. Richardson  
Associational W. M. U. Supt.

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In North Carolina, in addition to the Southeastern Seminary on the Wake Forest College campus, we have seven Baptist colleges with a total enrollment of approximately 6,000 young people, 750 of whom are training for the ministry and mission service.

Unfortunately, N. C. Baptists are not providing as much financial assistance for the young man or young woman enrolled in one of these colleges as Southern Baptists provide for the seminary student — which is \$535.00. In fact, this year — 1955 — our cooperative program budget is expected to provide an amount which will average a little more than \$150 per student for both operating and capital purposes in our seven N. C. Baptist colleges. The seven include Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Campbell, Gardner-Webb, Wingate and Chowan.

Wake Forest will be moved in June 1956 to Winston-Salem and the Southeastern Seminary will then take over all the property of



the campus at Wake Forest. All of these seven colleges are in building and expansion programs, trying to provide for the ever increasing number of students wanting to attend Baptist colleges.

North Carolina Baptists are doing a great deal in providing more for the capital needs of their colleges. May each of us do our part as a North Carolina Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruby Irwin

### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday School is the most important organization in the church. The basic principle of Sunday School is the early Christian training of our youth. From our youth of today comes the leaders of tomorrow.

It is gratifying to know that every church in the Alleghany Association has an organized Sunday School and that good work is being done. We need to make the good better and the better best. This can be done by the consecrated efforts of workers, teachers and church members interested in a better Sunday School. The present enrollment is 650 with an average attendance of 400.

In almost every place where a live Sunday School operates, a flourishing, progressive church is seen. It is an organization where every child of God can take part and do something for the Master. It is here that gentleness, kindness, courage, faith and love are taught as assets of a strong moral Christian character.

J. Edgar Hoover said, "The youth who has experienced old fashioned Christian Training and discipline in the home and has received sound efficient Bible teaching in Sunday School has been given a sword and buckler against temptation."

The F. B. I. chief praised the nation's Sunday School teachers who, he said, "are doing a truly magnificent job." "They are insuring that the child who is so fortunate as to come to Sunday School receives an introduction to the Word of God, the unequaled guide to righteous living and faith in the future," he said.

Let's build better Sunday Schools for better church timber, better citizenship, better service for God and a higher conception of our duty to God and man.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. T. S. Moxley

### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Travel to a desert area in northwest India. Stand with a group of men gathered around a young Christian layman working as a government surveyor. He is using an opportunity to tell the good news of Jesus Christ to men who never heard the Gospel before.



As the young man speaks of the Bible, one of his older listeners asks, "Is that book in my language?" When told that it is, he exclaims, "Young man, get me that book!" Holding the book in his hands and opening his heart to its message of the Savior, he asks the searching question, "Why didn't someone bring us the book long ago?"

The old man's question stirs our hearts to take the Bible to the millions who still wait — and emphasizes this missionary principle which is true around the world:

Every person must have the Bible in his own language if the Word of God is to speak to his heart.

Giving the Bible to the people of the world in their languages is a missionary task. The American Bible Society aids in Bible translation, publishes the scriptures without note or comment and distributes them — without profit and usually below cost — for mission work around the world. For the blind, it supplies Scriptures in raised-letter systems and on talking book records.

The American Bible Society is an active partner of Southern Baptists in their world-wide mission program; it serves every form of mission work at home and abroad.

During 1954 the American Bible Society distributed throughout the world more than 15 million volumes of Scriptures.

Donated 1,360,604 Scripture volumes for the Armed Forces, providing a vital link between the home churches and the members of the Armed Forces.

Continued to supply Scriptures in many strategic areas, such as Germany and other countries along the "fringes" of the Iron Curtain, Africa, Latin America, Japan, Korea and India — and to millions of Chinese in the countries of East Asia and Southeast Asia, outside the Communist-controlled China mainland.

Received gifts which provided for the largest budget in its history and adopted for 1955 an even larger program to serve more of the millions who still wait for the Word of God — keenly conscious that missionary advance, through increased Scripture distribution, waits only for needed funds!

In 1954 Southern Baptist churches set a new record by giving \$112,064 to the American Bible Society and stood second only to Methodist gifts of \$155,109. Gifts from churches of all denominations totaled \$826,721.

Has your church given to the American Bible Society this year?

The help of every Southern Baptist church is needed. Every church can give at least these amounts each year:

Country and village churches \$10 to \$25.

Churches in small cities \$25 to \$100.

Larger churches \$100 to \$200.

Great city churches \$200 to \$500 or more.

Please send gifts to your Baptist state office marked "for the American Bible Society."

### REPORT OF MISSIONARY BAPTIST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Brother Moderator and members of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association:

We as an associational body, should be ashamed of the fact that we have been so dilatory and negligent in the promotion of our Vacation Bible Schools, here in one of the most prosperous and well balanced counties to its size in the State of North Carolina as wealth and material things are concerned. In that we now have three industrial factories working full time in our county, and also we are still prosperous in our livestock and tobacco farming, which makes us a well balanced county between industry and farming.

We have also built more homes that are beautiful and costly during the past five years than ever before, and at the same time we are neglecting the house of the Lord and not properly training our children in knowledge of the Bible; and the Vacation Bible School is one of our main ways of teaching it during school vacation.

Five days per year is a short time to study the Bible in comparison to nine months for our regular schools, and yet if five men and five women locally from each church would be willing to give three hours per day, this group could work out a joint program, from which children can receive spiritual food for all their future years.

However we should not have as an excuse, the non availability of such a worker from the State Board, but we should realize as individuals our responsibility and accept the challenge, and move forward in the fields of more consecrated, and sacrificial effort in service for the Kingdom of God.

Total schools in county, 5. Total attendance, 215.

I move that this report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Swanson, V.B.S. Director

### BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

There is a growing interest and concern for the need of caring for elderly people who, for one reason or another, can no longer make homes for themselves. Some have no family at all, others, the children do not have space for the comfort of older people. While, some aging relatives do not prefer to be dependent upon their children for every day family life.

It is wonderful that the Baptist people of this state have started to provide carefully for the older people. This year has been one of enlargement of facilities for this purpose. Soon the total capacity will care for 95 residents.

Certainly only small beginning, but may we provide for the security, peace and joy of old people that they may live close to the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The 1954-1955 academic year was for Southern Baptist Educational institutions a period of significant achievements. Most noteworthy are the gains made in enrollment, in cooperative effort and study, in organized financial support and in recognition among Southern Baptists.

Enrollment of regular students in Southern Baptist schools and colleges reached an all-time high of 50,080 during 1954-1955. Cooperative program support of Southern Baptist Educational institutions increased by 19%.

As Southern Baptists we know there is an ever-growing need for increasing the number and enlarging the present theological seminaries. In addition to our five Southern Baptist seminaries, we aid the Seminary for Negroes in Nashville and the Carver School of Missions and Social Work. In these seven institutions there are 5782 students studying for Christian Service. Southern Baptists in this convention year 1955 propose to give to these seven seminaries a total of \$3,095,225.00 from the cooperative program funds for an average of \$535 per student.

### REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem ministers to the sick from all parts of the state.

We believe when Christ said to teach all nations he also meant for his Disciples to minister to the sick and helpless according to the teachings of the New Testament, and the work of Christ while here on earth. Now the work is left in our hands. Will we North Carolina Baptists show our brotherly love and compassion for the sick by making the North Carolina Baptist Hospital a monument of love and mercy and an honor to the work of Christ? Our hospital will only be as great as we make it.

Elder Willie Hamm

Laurel Springs, N. C.

### REPORT ON EVANGELISM

If we would go directly to the heart of missions, if we would catch the heart throb of man's redeemer, we would declare Evangelism from Dan to Beersheba. Evangelism was born in the heart of God. Revealed and established in Jesus Christ and intended that man should carry it to the ends of the earth.

Evangelism as such became an organized and adopted part of our Cooperative Program when the Southern Baptist Convention met at St. Louis in 1947, according to Dr. C. E. Mathews, secretary of Evangelism for our home mission board, an all time record in Baptisms for

Southern Baptist Convention was realized in 1947, with 285,152 and in 1950, 376,085. Last year according to our general minutes there were 35,702 in the State of North Carolina.

In the Piedmont Association there were 1884, the largest addition of any association in the state, but short of what we should be doing, according to the figures it takes a fraction over 22 Baptists in the state to win one soul to Christ. Surely we need to see our one and one-half million lost souls in North Carolina, our thirty-nine million in the South, and near two billion lost souls in the world.

To bring this picture home to us here in the Alleghany Association you have a population of around eight thousand, and so far as we know 60% or perhaps more of them are lost to the saving Grace of our Saviour. Surely today we need to rededicate our lives to the task of Evangelism.

Lift up your heads said Jesus and look on the fields for they are white and ready to harvest.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. McKnight

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

The Heart of God as revealed in Christ inevitably leads on to all men. The heart — hunger of men calls for the best, and God is the best. Jesus announced that God's love had given Him to the world that the world should be saved through Him by getting eternal life through faith in Him. He came to give men God and the life of God. Hence Christianity means that "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not reckoning their transgressions unto them, and having committed unto us the message of reconciliation." It is the consciousness of this heart-hunger of all men that must ever constrain those who have fed on the "Bread of Heaven" to go to their fellowmen with the supreme blessing. Only in this spirit do we have Christian missions unmixed.

### STATE MISSIONS

The task of State Missions is to win the lost in North Carolina to a saving knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Under our able secretary, Dr. E. L. Spivey, our department of State Missions is carrying on an aggressive program to win the lost in our state.

### HOME MISSIONS

Our Home Mission work is directed by Dr. Courts Redford, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of The Home Mission Board. He reports that "the past year closed a special 5-year crusade in Home Missions." The workers of the Home Mission Board have increased from 754 regular and 271 student missionaries.

Some of the results of the 5 years as reported by missionaries of

the Board were as follows:

167,247 professions of faith; 1,440 new churches constituted; 2,974 missions started, and 131,527 added to the churches. During the five years, Southern Baptists have baptized an average of 1,000 persons per day; have added 1,200 per day by letter; have given approximately \$5,000,000.00 per week for the Lord's work and have constituted an average of 11 new churches per week.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, secretary of our Foreign Mission Board reports that at the end of 1954, 949 missionaries were under appointment. This shows a new gain of 41 for the year. The Board has set a realistic goal 1,000 missionaries under appointment by the end of 1955. He states, "we have every confidence of reaching this immediate goal, with God's help." The times demand that Southern Baptist enlarge their world witness far more rapidly than they have in the past. While our immediate goal is 1,000 missionaries, our long range goal is 1,750 missionaries. Even when this is reached, we shall be only in the initial stages of exerting a worthy witness for Christ around the world.

Christian missions then are becoming even more the method by which the followers of Jesus Christ serve Him in His undertaking, by regeneration and reconciliation to create out of the broken fragments of humanity "one new human race," for "If any man is in Christ there is a new creation. Old things have passed away, lo, they have become new."

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack W. Byrd

### ORPHANAGE REPORT

The true greatness of any people is measured largely in terms of the care, the training and religious attitudes it gives its children. At no other time in the history of the orphanage, have the children's needs been more adequately met than they were during the past year.

During the year 1955, our Baptist orphanage cared for a total of 713 children. Services were rendered to 600 other children.

Mary Presson, from Hertford County, was the first child admitted to the Baptist Orphanage on November 11, 1885. Since that memorable day, over 6,000 youngsters like Mary have been admitted to the Baptist Orphanage receiving care and training.

There are two childrens homes, Mills Home at Thomasville with 330 children and Kennedy Home near Kinston with 170 children. For seventy years the Baptist Orphanage has opened its doors to children in need.

We must continue to minister to the needs of these homeless, helpless children. Let us continue to donate liberally to orphanage and



child care funds, thus fulfilling the commands of our blessed Savior when He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Wayne Church

### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the undersigned, do hereby set forth the following resolutions to be printed in the minutes of our association:

1. That we extend our thanks to Mt. Carmel Church for its hospitality shown and provisions made for this association meeting.

2. That we thank each representative who participated in our program for the efforts they have made towards making our meeting a success.

3. That we extend a welcome to our visiting speakers and members from other associations, to be with us again next year, and any time they can be at any of our churches in the future.

4. That we back our newly acquired missionary, both spiritually and materially, in his work on our mission field.

5. That each delegate encourage the members of his or her home church to become more cooperative in their tithing work, so that all of our mission work can go forward. We feel that this is one of the great weaknesses of our program, and that more of our church members should lay their pocketbooks on the altar; also their time and talents.

6. That this association start a movement to vote beer out of Alleghany County.

Devotionally Submitted,  
Rev. Jack Byrd  
Mrs. A. O. Joines  
Ernest C. Minnich

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

BELLVIEW—Mrs. Dema Upchurch.

LAUREL SPRINGS—Brother Robert Lee Doughton.

LIBERTY—Bro. F. W. Cheek, Mrs. Jettie Matthews.

NEW HOPE—Mrs. Laura Landreth, Mrs. Byrd McMillan, Bro. Floyd Roupe.

OSBORNE MEMORIAL—Bro. J. B. Osborne.

PINE FORK—Mrs. Cora Roberts.



**Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP--**

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP--										GAINS		LOSSES	TOTAL			SPECIAL INFORMATION				
CHURCHES		1 Location Rural V-T-C	2 Date Organized	3 Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES					Letters and Other Additions		Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	No. Missions Supported by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Belview	R	1909	4		C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.					2	1	42	9	51	1		No	5	120.00	
Chestnut Grove	R	1889	3		Charlie Richardson, Hays, N. C.					0	0	49		49	1		No	0	200.00	
Laurel Springs	R	1891	2-4		S. L. Blevins					4	0	45	22	67	1		No	5	600.00	
Liberty	V	1881	3		S. L. Blevins					0	2	28	22	50	1	1	No	7	224.00	
Mt. Carmel	R	1884	1		Everette Shaw, Grade Valley, N. C.					4	3	36	49	85	1		No	3	224.00	
New Hope	R	1881	1-3							1	3	4	25	15	1		No	3	294.00	
New River	R	1939	3		A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.					9	1	50	28	78	1		Yes	1	50.00	
Osborne Memorial	R	1943	2		C. H. McKnight, Independence, Va.					1	0	4	55	32	1	1	No	1	191.00	
Pine Fork	R	1898	1-4		Charley Richardson, N. Wilkesboro, N.C.					7	5	2	68	13	2		No	1	163.00	
Scottville	R	1925	2		Wiley Carroll, Millers Creek, N. C.					0	0	1	50	31	1		No	4	135.00	
Sparta	T	1925	1-2-3-4		J. W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.					15	8	4	165	62	1	22	No	7	349.00	

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL		Sunday School Enrollment																
		CHURCHES	Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primories	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes And Departments	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vocation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study
Belview		C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs, N.C.	1	0	8				10	16			35	18				
Chestnut Grove		Garnett Larve, Sparta, N. C.	5		4			7		32			48	23				
Laurel Springs		Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	4		8			6	8	28	4	5	63	23	63			yes
Liberty		James C. Caudill, Sparta, N.C.											35	27				
Mt. Carmel		F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N.C.		12			6	18		24		5	65	34				
New Hope		H. M. Wyatt, Scottville, N. C.			8	8	12	10		20			50	30	32		20	
New River		Oskar Shumate, Sparta, Route 2, N.C.		10	7		10	14		19			60	30				
Osborne Memorial		E. C. Minneck, Piney Creek, N. C.		12			8		10	30			60					
Pine Fork		Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs, N.C.			14			14		32			60	50				
Scottville		W. F. Shepherd, Scottville, N. C.			6		4			10			20	15	15		12	
Sparta		H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	18	13	27	29	29	34	15	79		6	240	118				

Table C TRAINING UNION—			TRAINING UNION ENROLLMENT										
			Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Mission Enrolment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
CHURCHES			TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES										
Belview													
Chestnut Grove													
Laurel Springs													
Liberty													
Mt. Carmel													
New Hope													
New River													
Osborne Memorial													
Pine Fork					12		16			20		48	24
Claude Roupe, Laurel Springs, N.C.													
Scottville													
Sparta							9	1		4		14	7
J. M. Sturgill, Sparta, N.C.													

Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION—		Total Tithers All Organizations		
CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES			
Belview	Mrs. W. B. Estep, Whitehead, N. C.			
Chestnut Grove				
Laurel Springs				
Liberty				
Mt. Carmel				
New Hope	Osborne Memorial			
New River				
Pine Fork				
Scottville				
Sparta	Mrs. Will Johnson, Sparta, N.C.			
		W.M.S. Units	1	
		Y.W.A. Units		
		G.A. Units	21	
		Sunbeam Units	18	
		Total Units	39	
		W.M.S. Enrolled	30	
		Y.W.A. Enrolled		
		G.A. Enrolled		
		Sunbeam Enrolled		
		Total Enrolled	30	
		Total Tithers All Organizations	2	

Table H and I MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES—		CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for Alli Purposes
Belview		C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3.00			10.00				10.00	14.00	5.00	42.00	414.00
Chestnut Grove		Mrs. Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N.C.	45.00			15.00				85.00	56.00	25.00	227.00	353.00
Laurel Springs		James C. Caudill, Whitehead, N. C.	27.00		2.00		6.00	6.00	14.00		6.00	2.00	65.00	3319.00
Liberty		F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C.								12.00	26.00	8.00	46.00	676.00
Mt. Carmel		Mrs. Dan Jones, Scottville, N. C.				5.00				11.00	17.00		33.00	1014.00
New Hope		Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va.									6.00		6.00	411.00
New River		Jim Leff Osborne, Sparta, N. C.				10.00	33.00			27.00	50.00	10.00	130.00	100.00
Osborne Memorial		Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs, N.C.												459.00
Pine Fork		Mrs. Laura Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N.C.	4.00								14.00		14.00	460.00
Scottville		H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	140.00			19.00	56.00	83.00		10.00	6.00	6.00	28.00	195.00
Sparta										50.00	50.00	43.00	441.00	5799.00

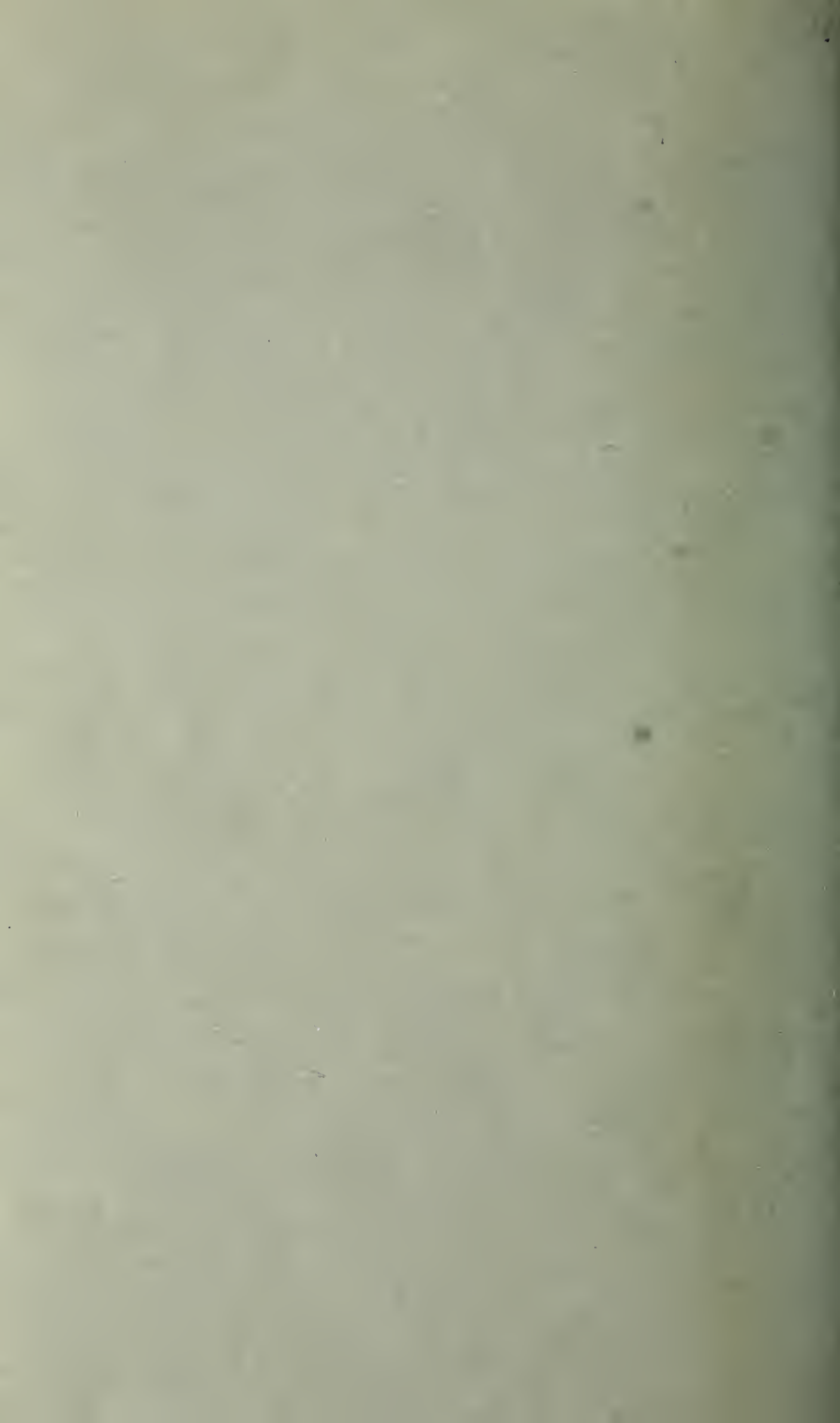












ANNUAL

# MINUTES

OF THE

## Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association

60TH ANNUAL SESSION

— Held With —

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

September 8, 9, 1956

Next Session Will Be Held With

OSBORNE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

September 7, 8, 1957

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Introductory Sermon By

Rev. C. H. McKnight

Alternate

Rev. Wiley Carroll



# **ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GENERAL OFFICERS**

Van F. Miller, Moderator	Laurel Springs, N. C.
H. E. Singletary, Vice-Moderator	Sparta, N. C.
George W. Shepherd, Clerk-Treasurer	Laurel Springs, N. C.
A. O. Joines, Auditor	Sparta, N. C.
John Cheek, Historian	Sparta, N. C.
F. W. Royal, Chorister	Cherry Lane, N. C.
Mrs. Sam Porter, Pianist	Sparta, N. C.
Mrs. Tommie Moxley, Ass'n S. S. Supt.	Sparta, N. C.
Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Ass'n W. M. U. Pres.	Whitehead, N. C.
Miss Donna Jones, Training Union Director	Sparta, N. C.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Van F. Miller, Chairman, Ex-Officio	Laurel Springs, N. C.
George W. Shepherd, Clerk	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Amos Wagoner	Sparta Church
W. F. Doughton	Laurel Springs Church
Hardin Spicer	Mt. Carmel Church
A. O. Joines, Chairman	Liberty Church
C. E. Jones	Bellview Church
Posey Pruitt	Pine Fork Church
Glenn Vestal	New Hope Church
Ernest Wilson	Welcome Home
Oscar Shumate	New River
James Church	Scottville

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Representative of Baptist Publications	Mrs. Ben Reeves
Hospital	Rev. W. M. Hamm
Orphanage	Mrs. Glenn Vestal
Temperance	Rev. A. K. Taylor
Missions	Rev. Audley Frazier
Education	Rev. Jack W. Byrd
Evangelism	E. B. Barton
Woman's Missionary Union	Mrs. R. E. Richardson
Training Union	Mrs. Paul Swanson
Sunday School	Paul Swanson
Committee on History of Alleghany Association	John M. Cheek, Mrs. W. B. Estep, W. F. Doughton
Daily Vacation Bible School	Claude Roupe
American Bible Society	E. C. Minnich
Radio and Visual Education	Miss Donna Jones
Home For Aging	A. O. Joines

## **RESIDENT MINISTERS**

Rev. James E. Revis	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Garnett Smith	Glade Valley, N. C.
Rev. Everett Shaw	Glade Valley, N. C.
Rev. W. M. Hamm	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. Jack Byrd	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Brady Farmer	Sparta, N. C.



**NON - RESIDENT MINISTERS**

Rev. John Edwards	Independence, Va.
Rev. A. K. Taylor	Independence, Va.
Rev. Lee Woodruff	Independence, Va.
Rev. Jimmie Bryant	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Rev. E. B. Barton	Atkins, Va.
Rev. Wiley Carroll	Purlear, N. C.
Rev. Gene Baker	Independence, Va.
Rev. Jessie W. Davis	Gaiax, Va.
Rev. C. H. McKnight	Independence, Va.
Rev. John Adams	Independence, Va.
Rev. Homer Mayhan	Independence, Va.
Rev. Clyde Edwards	Lewisville, N. C.
Rev. Charlie Richardson	North Wilkesboro, N. C.

**CONSTITUTION**

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

**OBJECTS**

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

**POWERS AND PREROGATIVES**

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time

and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk - Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which member shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a smaller Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association and interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specific authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testament—is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
I. W. Thomas,  
C. J. Woodson,  
J. E. Fletcher,  
E. L. Tucker, Committee.

### RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice," preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoot's.

## Proceedings

The Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association met with Liberty Baptist Church, Whitehead, North Carolina, for its 60th annual session, Saturday morning, September 8, 1956, 10:00 a. m.

The session opened with the moderator, Van Miller, presiding. The opening hymn, "Revive Us Again," was sung by the congregation. The devotional was conducted by Reverend James E. Revis. He read from the 2nd chapter of Revelations, taking his text from the 5th verse.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanks, Stone Mountain Association.

The roll call of churches was read by the clerk and the delegates answered as follows:

Belview — Mr. Dempsey Blevins and Miss Rachel Blevins.  
Chestnut Grove — Mr. George Taylor and Mrs. Cora Taylor.

Laurel Springs — Mr. S. S. Landreth, Mrs. Loy Miller, Mr. T. S. Moxley, and Miss Brenda Cathren.

Liberty — Mr. A. O. Joines, Mrs. Mac D. Wagoner. Mrs.

J. T. Fender, and Mrs. W. B. Estep.

Mt. Carmel — Mr. F. W. Royal, Mr. H. J. Spicer.

New Hope — Mr. Glenn Vestal, Mr. Paul Swanson.

New River — Mr. Oscar Shoemake, Mr. Robert L. Reeves, and Mr. J. W. Wagoner.

Osborne Memorial — Mr. Jim Leff Osborne, Mr. Bays Parsons, and Mr. Bob Osborne.

Pine Fork — Mr. Johnny Bryant, Mr. Everette Taylor, and Mr. Posie Pruitt.

Scottville — Mr. George Perry, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shepherd.

Sparta — Mrs. C. G. Richardson, Mrs. J. M. Wagoner, Mrs. Ross Richardson, and Mr. H. E. Singletary.

Report of Executive Committee was given by Chairman A. O. Joines. The report was adopted.

Report of Baptist Publications by Mrs. A. O. Joines. The report was adopted.

Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. R. E. Richardson. The report was adopted.

Report on Evangelism by Reverend Jack W. Byrd. The report was adopted.

Report on Temperance was given by Reverend C. H. McKnight. This report was adopted.

The moderator at this time welcomed the following visitors: Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Waddell from Ashe Association.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Nominating Committee — Chairman, A. O. Joines, Oscar Shoemake, and Mrs. C. A. Reeves.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher — Chairman, F. W. Royal, W. F. Shepherd and Bays Parsons.

Committee on Resolutions — Chairman, Mrs. H. E. Singletary, Mrs. Jim Saunders, and Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

Song by the congregation "Work For The Night Is Coming."

The moderator asked Reverend Jack W. Byrd to lead in prayer, after which the introductory sermon was preached by the Associational Missionary, Reverend Audley B. Frazier, who read from the 1st chapter of John and the 10th chapter of Matthew, taking his text from the 10th verse of Matthew.

The Association was dismissed for lunch by Jessie W. Davis. Dr. W. K. McGee gave thanks for the food.

Afternoon session was opened by the hymn, "Come, Thou Fount." Reverend A. K. Taylor conducted the devotional.

The moderator recognized and welcomed the following visitors: Guy Cain, Missionary at large, and Dr. W. K. McGee, Baptist Hospital. Report on Hospital by Reverend Willie Hamm. The report was adopted. The moderator then called on Dr. W. K. McGee, who made a talk on the services rendered at Baptist Hospital.

Report on Christian Education by H. E. Singletary, the report adopted.

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell then gave an address on education in the various institutions.

Report on Missions by Reverend Audley Frazier was



adopted, and he introduced Guy Cain, who gave an address on Mission Work.

Report on Vacation Bible School was given by Mrs. Walter Johnson. Report was adopted.

Report on Home for the Aged by A. O. Joines. Report was adopted. Mr. Joines introduced Reverend J. M. Hayes, who gave an interesting address on the two Baptist Homes for the Aged.

### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It was agreed that the present officers would serve another year.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE & PREACHING

Time	September 7th and 8th
Place	Osborne Memorial
Preacher	Reverend C. H. McKnight
Alternate	Reverend Wiley Carroll

### Sunday Morning Session, September 9, 1956, 10:00 A. M.

The session was opened with a hymn by the congregation, "Give Of Your Best To The Master." The devotional was conducted by the Reverend Jack W. Byrd, who read from the 5th chapter of Matthew. At this time, the following visitor was recognized: Morris Grant, of the Orphanage.

Report of Associated Sunday School Superintendent, Paul Swanson. The report adopted.

Report of Baptist Training Union by Mrs. Paul Swanson. The report was read by Mr. Swanson in her absence. The report was adopted.

The moderator then called on Reverend Jack W. Byrd to render a short service in memory of our beloved dead. A hymn, "The Home Over There," was sung and prayer was rendered.

Report on Orphanage by Reverend James E. Revis. The report was adopted. Morris Grant then gave an address on the program of our orphanages.

At this time, a special song was sung by H. E. Singletary and Walter Johnson.

Hymn by the congregation, "I Am Thine, O Lord."

The session was dismissed by Reverend James Revis.

### BAPTIST LITERATURE, 1956

"Give attention to reading," the Apostle Paul said nearly 2,000 years ago. We know that God's people must read to strengthen their faith, to increase their knowledge, to open their vision, and inspire their minds. Christian literature is dedicated to the furtherance of the Gospel in our Southland.

It is impossible to overestimate the power of the printed page. Words have wings and printed words can go many places where the spoken word cannot. Our Baptist literature is of invaluable aid in books, tracts, periodicals, etc. The Baptist Sunday School Board puts out hundreds of such: Our Foreign Mission Board publishes valuable study books, tracts, and "The Commission," a fresh monthly compilation of what



is taking place on our mission field afar. Our Home Mission Board edits and distributes Southern Baptist "Home Mission" magazine besides numerous books, etc.

"My people perish for lack of knowledge" is still as true as when spoken to Hosea of God's chosen people not withstanding these, our State denominational organ "The Biblical Recorder," our wonderful orphanage weekly, "The Charity and Children," and our Women's Missionary union publication which are graded and attractive for every age.

These publications at small cost, or free, are our tools. They are the treasure chest to which we can go for gems of learning to supply our spiritual zeal, our program material, our thought food and our inspiration.

Baptist literature is second to none, in religious journalism and uplifting material. Are we and our young people reading? It has been truly said, "A nation goes in the direction of the literature it reads."

Genuinely Christian literature will satisfy real heart hunger for knowledge of God's people. It is a source of our denominational information. If our people knew they would do. Knowledge cultivates a spirit of love, devotion and loyalty.

The promotion of missions, education, social service and the distribution of sound religious literature was one of the main purposes of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, when it was organized in 1830. Let's not forget the high aim and purpose of our Baptist forefathers.

We should be thankful for the opportunity of having good reading matter for our uplift. We should appreciate our Baptist literature for its real value. Much literature on news stands will bear watching. Let us choose wisely.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. A. O. Joines,

### **ORPHANAGE REPORT FOR ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1956**

The greatest investment anyone could possibly make is in the life of a boy or a girl. There is a potential leader in every one of them; but if they are not cared for and trained while they are young, life will not present them with the opportunity to exercise their talents.

Last year North Carolina Baptist cared for 736 children, 23 more than the year before. This increase was made possible by an increase in our Thanksgiving offering.

This year 9 of our churches reported gifts to this worthy ministry. Next year let's all get these children on our hearts, and put them in our budgets, shall we? Jesus said, "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me." Matt. 25:45.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. James E. Revis.

### **W. M. U. REPORT FOR 1956**

The object of Woman's Missionary Union is to emulate the spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to promote

Christian Missions and to stimulate the grace of giving among women and young people.

You may be interested to know that the first women's organizations in the United States were for the purpose of praying and collecting money for missions. However today there are numerous civic, literary and social organizations, many of which are good but when we give our time and efforts to that which is just good and leave off something better or the best, I don't think our Lord is pleased with our stewardship. "It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." I Cor. 4:2.

I would be much happier today if I could report many more than the approximately one hundred women and young people in this association who are enlisted in this missionary endeavor at home and around the world.

Think what it would mean if even half of our nearly nine hundred members in the eleven churches were interested in missions as the name Missionary Baptist implies and were "faithful stewards."

Last year our gifts to missions through our special offerings to State, Home, and Foreign Missions amounted to a little over \$300.00. We also gave regularly through the co-operative program. We have thirty-nine tithers. The young people are gaining a knowledge of and interest in Missions under the able leadership of their counselors.

May we pray and give and work that the missionary spirit may grow in our association during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. E. Richardson,

Associational W. M. U. Supt.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, the executive committee are profoundly grateful that the churches in this association have co-operated so fully with our efficient missionary in organizing and co-ordinating the Lord's work in our midst. You have supported him materially and spiritually in beginning a much needed work in this mission field. In all matters pertaining to noble living, he has given us guidance in religious truths. We urgently request our church people to support heartily our missionary, our pastors, and the objects fostered by the denomination. Monthly workers confirm at study courses have increased interest in our work.

During the past year Rev. James E. Revis has come to our association as pastor of Laurel Springs and Liberty. He and his family are very dear to our people. Brother Revis has a very precious calling in Lord's work, and as a consecrated leader he imparts the spirit of service to his members. Wide awake he is enthusiastically leading his members to even larger co-operations with the Master's program.

Rev. Jack Byrd continue to do a splendid work at Sparta; the church, the town, or the community would not be the same without him. We commend him and his church for the spiritual leadership they are giving to our people.

Again, we urgently request all our churches to secure and

support resident pastors. For we need the influence of evangelism in our everyday living.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines,

Chairman Executive Committee.

### **REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Brother Moderator and members of the Alleghany Baptist Association:

Many problems arise in our efforts to maintain and progress in Christian endeavors. One of our chief problems is the training of our youth in Christian ways of living. One of the agents best suited to meet the needs of our people in this problem, is the vacation Bible School. In cooperation with the Baptist Training Union and Sunday School, the Bible School can and must continue the advancement in the knowledge of Christ and our hopes for the future of our church and the carrying on of God's great work rests upon the shoulder's of the rising generation. How can they carry out the work successfully unless they have the guidance of the church and its teaching? In view of these facts, our efforts must increase so as to insure larger and better organized Vacation Bible Schools in the Churches of the Alleghany Association.

I am happy to report that some progress was made during the past Associational Year. With the encouragement and assistance of our associational missionary, Rev. Audley B. Frazier, all churches except three (3) had Vacation Bible School and reported good attendance and results.

With this stride forward, let's all contribute with our physical and financial aid to the program, so much in need of, in the coming year. With full co-operation a giant stride will be made and our youth will be strengthened in Christian life.

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Church.

### **REPORT OF RESOLUTION'S COMMITTEE**

We the undersigned, do hereby set forth the following resolutions, to be printed in the minutes of our association:

1. That we extend our thanks to Liberty Church for its hospitality shown and provisions made for this association meeting.

2. That we thank each representative who took part in our program. And their efforts to make this meeting a success.

3. We extend a welcome to our visiting speakers and members from other associations and welcome them anytime they can be with us in the future.

4. We wish to extend our gratitude to our missionary, Rev. Audley Frazier, for his work both spiritually and materially in our mission field.

5. We welcome Rev. James Revis into our association as a resident pastor, who is serving the Liberty and Laurel Springs churches.

May other churches in our association be encouraged to seek God's will in solving this problem.

6. That we will back every effort to do away with intoxicating beverages.

7. That each church in our association will fully support the co-operative program and give according to God's plan.

H. E. Singletary,  
Mrs. Jim Sanders,  
Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

## REPORT OF STATE, HOME, AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Jesus said unto his disciples, "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Jerusalem to you and me is our home community, the place we live. Judaea is North Carolina, State Missions. Samaria is the United States, Home Missions. "And unto the uttermost part of the earth," is world missions, Foreign Missions.

Now, all three types of missions is Bible based, now do we carry this great program out? In North Carolina we have a program of State Missions that embodies seventeen different areas of service in the name of Jesus. This work is under the able leadership of Dr. E. L. Spivey, State Mission Secretary. This work includes sponsoring Sunday School And Training Union, missionary pastors, associational missions, institutional work, work among special groups, purchase of church lots, operation of summer assemblies, and winter preachers' schools. A report last year reveals that 60 per cent of North Carolinians are not Christians. May we labour now, for the time will come when we can no longer work.

Also as Southern Baptist we believe in Home Missions. Our Home Mission Board is located at Atlanta, Ga. The Executive Secretary-Treasurer is Dr. Courts Redford. Under the sponsorship of this board we are represented for Christ to the Chinese, French, Indians, Italian, Negroes, and Spanish speaking people here in the United States. It also sponsors work for the deaf, Good-Will Centers, Rescue Homes, and Jewish Evangelism and Migrant Missions. Also we have work in the Panama Canal Zone and Cuba.

We as Southern Baptist are carrying out the last phase of Christ's command on missions through the Foreign Mission Board located at Richmond, Va. Dr. Baker James Cauthen is the executive secretary.

We should not be satisfied with only our State and Home Mission but should choose to launch on a world-wide program of missions. Quoting from an article in "The Commission," a magazine of the Foreign Mission Board, the September issue. "For a message to take to a lost world is no problem. The gospel of Christ Jesus, the world Saviour, is our message. The problem is not a message, but a messenger for every neighborhood on the globe! Despite the progress already made, many of the world's peoples have not yet heard a preacher (missionary) of this saving gospel. Why not? Because we and others equally negligent have not sent missionaries! May we look at some disillusioning facts?

At the end of last year eight and one-half million South-



ern Baptist had only 1,020 missionaries in foreign lands. It took, therefore, 8,000 Southern Baptist to support one missionary.

2. Last year these eight and one-half million Southern Baptist gave a total of \$335,000,000 for all phases of Baptist work.

3. Of this amount only \$43,500,000, or 14.5 per cent, was sent to the state convention treasurers for work carried on in the states, in the homeland, and on foreign fields.

4. Of the total \$335,000,000, or 85.5 per cent, was used by the churches for local expenses or designated by them for local missions (city and associational).

5. And only \$10,832,935, or 3.2 per cent, was given for our foreign mission program in thirty-five countries and territories. (The Board's total income in 1955, including miscellaneous receipts, was \$11,103,268.)

6. In other words, each Southern Baptist gave only \$1.29 for foreign missions in 1955. Can we not find here ample reason for our not sending missionaries that men may hear the gospel and believe on our Lord?"

Alleghany gave in 1955 for State, Home and Foreign Missions \$373 or an average of \$0.61 per resident member of our eleven churches. Or during the same period \$1032 for all causes outside the local church. This would be \$1.68 per resident member. Alleghany Baptist have given \$539.36 for all convention causes during the first six months of 1956. This is a total of \$0.96 per resident member.

Elmer S. West, Jr. wrote an article entitled "Greatest Need in Missions Advance." This appeared in the June issue of The Commission. He concluded by saying, "When concern for missions is cultivated, information is shared, prayers are offered up to God, a challenge is presented and decisions called for—then decisions will be made. Lives will be dedicated, money laid on the altar, and, as a direct result, in some far away place the gospel will be heard and another life will find Christ. Missions is every Christian's business."

May we teach, preach and practice missions so that we may do our part to carry the mission message around the world. Christ is depending on you and me. May we be missionary Baptist.

Respectively submitted,  
Audley B. Frazier

## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

September 15, 1955 — September 7, 1956

Church — Type of Work Done in Each Church

Belview — Preached, 1.

Chestnut Grove — Preached, 1; Vacation Bible School, 5.

Laurel Springs — Preached, 2; Sunday School Study Course, 5; Training Union Devotional, 1.

Liberty — Preached, 1; Spoke a WMU Annual Meeting, 1.

Mt. Carmel — Taught Sunday School Class and Preached 1.

New River — Preached, 2; Taught Sunday School Class, 1; Mission Emphasis, 2; Vacation Bible School, 5.

Osborne Memorial — Preached, 1; Helped to organize Training Union, 2.

Pine Fork — Spoke in Training Union, 2; Preached, 2; Vacation Bible School, 3.

Scottville — Preached, 1.

Sparta — Spoke for the Brotherhood, 1; Taught Mission Study Book, 1; Preached, 1.

Summary of work done in churches:

Sermons preached, 13.

Sunday School Classes Taught, 2.

Mission Books taught, 1.

Brotherhood Meeting, 1.

Training Union organized, 1.

Training Union talks or devotionals, 4.

Sunday School Study Course, 1

Vacation Bible Schools, 3.

Visited all church communities in promotion of the work.

Associational Promotional Efforts:

Workers' Conference, 10 meetings.

Foreign Mission Emphasis, December, 1955, with Dr. Charles A. Leonard, a retired missionary who had worked in China and Hawaii speaking in the following churches: Laurel Springs, Liberty, Belview, and Sparta.

Mission Emphasis, May 6-8, 1956, with State workers working in Pine Fork and Liberty for three nights speaking on Missions, Stewardship and Church Budgets.

Vacation Bible School Clinic, Sparta, 1.

Training Union Promotion: "M" Night, Sparta, 1; Youth Night, Sparta, 1.

Rev. William Spradlin, Jr. Associate in the State Training Department taught a Training Union Study Course, "Building A Church Training Program" at Sparta for a week to representatives of several of our churches.

Also Miss Patricia Brasington of Lancaster, S. C. taught the same book in four of our churches, namely New Hope, Pine Fork, Liberty and Laurel Springs. She was able to organize a Training Union at Laurel Springs. We appreciate the State Training Union Department interest in our Association by furnishing us these workers.

Meeting Outside of the Association Attended by the Missionary.

Associational Training Union Officers Planning Meeting, High Point, 1.

Baptist State Convention, Asheville, 3.

Planning Meeting for Associational Missionaries, Fruitland, 1.

State Evangelistic Conference, Winston-Salem, 1.

Meeting of Hospital Representatives and Missionaries, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, 1.

Sunday School District Meeting, North Wilkesboro, 1.

Regional Training Union Meeting, Elkin, 1.

Mission Emphasis: Surry Association, 3; Stone Mountain, 3; Elkin, 3.

Other Efforts Used in Promotion of the Work (Both Associations).



Individual Conferences 183, Group 30, Committee, 10, Miles traveled 17, 871; Bulletin published, 553.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." May we in the coming year work together to put the work of Christ first. I sincerely desire your prayers, cooperation, and understanding as we go forward for Christ.

Respectively submitted,  
Audley B. Frazier.  
Associational Missionary

### REPORT OF HOME FOR THE AGING

The Homes are in their sixth, and greatest, year of operation.

Construction of the Administration and Dormitory Building began in February. It should be completed by the end of the year, and ready for occupancy by February 1, 1957.

North Carolina Baptists have good reason to be proud of this new building, which, when completed and equipped will add one-half million dollars to the total value of the Homes. What is more encouraging, there is reason to believe that the total cost of the new building will be paid for by the time it is occupied, if our 3,200 Baptist churches will respond with a generous Special Day offering on the third Sunday of February, 1957.

The added facilities of the new building will make it possible to care for 100 residents—20 at Resthaven, 36 at Albemarle Home, and 44 in the new building. Of this number, less than 10 will be part-time helpers. Moreover, a greater ministry to our aging residents will be possible because of the extra facilities in the new building. Among these will be ample space for craft shops, sun parlors, library, infirmary, and other additional features. In fact, the new building was planned and is being constructed to provide a well rounded program with the most up-to-date facilities.

The Special Day offering this year, to date, is \$88,400.03, including personal and corporation gifts. This amount will be increased by churches late in reporting their gifts. It is encouraging to know that the number of churches responding increases each year. Alleghany Association.

Resthaven and the Albemarle Home have been filled to capacity. When a vacancy occurs, which is rare, there is always a waiting list.

Effort was made in Winston-Salem during June and July to raise \$100,000 for the new building. In addition to the money raised, the response on the part of a large number of splendid business men to help with the campaign was most inspiring. The aroused interest in the program of the Homes will bring increasing results for years to come.

There has been a large number of building memorial gifts. They ranged from \$300 to \$3,000 — \$300 to furnish, \$1,000 to endow, and \$3,000 to pay cost of constructing, a room.

A trustee, Mr. Don G. Matthews of Hamilton, gave, in addition to \$3,000 to construct a room in the new building,

\$1,378 to pay cost of excavating a lake on the grounds of the new building.

Your Homes are putting forth their best efforts to render love to our residents.

a ministry of security, comfort, congeniality, and Christian

North Carolina Baptists should keep in mind that their special offering and the share of the Nine Year Program received by the Homes help to make this ministry possible to all who come to the Homes, and, especially, to a large number who could not come but for such help.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. Joines.

### ANNUAL REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Time and space is too limited for me to tell all the remarkable things which happens at our North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

The year of 1955 was the best in service that our Baptist Hospital has ever had. Our churches gave the largest Mother's Day offering they ever made, and the hospital was able to serve more sick people than ever before. More than 115,000 days of bed patient care was rendered to almost 15,000 patients and more than 100,000 visits were made to the clinics and offices of the medical staff. The new south wing has been completed, and three new type X-ray machines have been installed.

The out-patient department has proved a blessing to thousands that were not able to pay for medical care.

Let us give liberally for this worthy cause that others may be blessed to have a place where the sick can get help.

Respectfully submitted,

Elder Willie Hamm.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Baptist program of Christian Education includes:

1. The teaching ministry of the Christian home.
2. The local church with its varied programs.
3. The Baptist schools and colleges, supported by the convention.

4. Our South Wide Seminaries.

Our immediate consideration should be to make provisions for the ever increasing number of boys and girls in Southern Baptist territory. With increasing numbers, comes the need for expanded facilities. In our colleges in the Southern Baptist Convention, there were enrolled more than 55,000 young people last school year.

Here in North Carolina in our seven Baptist colleges, namely Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Gardner Webb, Campbell, Wingate and Chowan, we had a total enrollment of 5,921 students last year. More than this number have already been accepted for this college year. North Carolina Baptist are second only to Texas in the number of students enrolled. Each of our seven Baptist colleges is now engaged in expanding its facilities in both class rooms and housing to meet the even growing student bodies.

Every effort is being made to operate good accredited col-

leges at the lowest possible cost, that the doors of education opportunity may remain open for all our young people, who wish to enter.

It is always timely to remind ourselves that we as Baptist must give our whole hearted support to our colleges, which are primarily operated for the purpose of training our Baptist Youth. North Carolina Baptist have made great strides, over the years, in making provisions for their boys and girls who wish to acquire a Christian education. May we continue to support, both with our prayers and our money these fine schools.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. E. Singletary.

### REPORT ON EVANGELISM

There are many definitions for the word "evangelism," but the one I like most is given by W. E. Sangster in his little book "Let Me Commend." He says, "evangelism is going to the people outside. It is the proclamation of the good news of God in Jesus Christ to them that are without." Jesus put it this way "Other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring." Again He said, "The son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." On another occasion Jesus said, "Joy shall be in Heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance." This then is evangelism. It is carrying the good news to them that are without. It is winning the lost to Christ. Jesus has committed this task unto us today. What then are we doing about it? Shamefully very little, I am afraid. In 1951 it required 40 church members to win one lost person to Jesus Christ in our association — In 1952 it required 24 church members to win one person to Christ. In 1953 it took 30 church members to win one lost soul to Christ. It required 14 church members in 1954 to win one lost soul to Christ, and in 1955 it took 20 church members to win one lost soul in our association. These statistics speak of more than mere figures. Translated, they represent effort. They are furthermore indicative of our concern for the lost about us. They also accurately gauge our evangelistic zeal and favor. These figures should make us realize that the great masses in our county are yet lost in sin. These statistics should challenge us to greater service as soul winners.

Jesus put this business of soul winning on an individual basis when he said to His disciples, "ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." In these words Jesus commissioned each follower individually. Can you hear Him speaking to you today? — You shall be my witness in your home community — in this county — in this state — and throughout the whole world. Let us be witnesses for Christ. Let's win souls for Jesus. Remember, "He that winneth souls is wise!"

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack W. Byrd.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS**

Brother Moderator and members of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association:

I believe that our Sunday School is one of the most important organizations in our church, because its basic principle is to train our youth as well as our adults.

I am sorry to report that one of our Alleghany churches, that of Chestnut Grove has not had a Sunday School this year, while all the others have had very successful Sunday Schools the greater part of the year. We now have a total enrollment of 645 in our association and a general average of 390.

I have taken the time to visit all the Sunday Schools this spring and summer, and have observed them in session, at times when they were not expecting me, and I found that there were some who were not using our Missionary Baptist literature, so I have recommended that they use our literature, especially our quarterlies, and I have also recommended to our Sunday School teachers that they use Broadman's Comments, as a special aid to them.

I also observed that where our churches had an active Sunday School they also were leaders in B. T. U. and general progress and well being in all their services and accomplishments, so I concluded that the Sunday School is necessary in order to build a higher conception of our duty to our Lord and our fellowmen.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Swanson.

**REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNIONS**

Mr. Moderator and members of the Alleghany Missionary Baptist Association:

The report on the Training Unions for our association is as follows:

Pine Fork has an active union with 50 members, Sparta church has 40 members, New Hope 45, Laurel Springs 21, Osborne Memorial 21. At the present time Belview and Scottville churches are in the process of organizing new unions in their churches, and we hope that by next year we will be able to report training unions in all our churches. At the present time we have a total membership in the county of 177. This is a glorious work for our Lord, in that in the BTU each student is called upon to take an active part on our programs, and thereby better train each individual so that he or she may become a better Christian and a better Baptist, and a better workman who need not be ashamed of his or her performance. One purpose of the BTU is to train Baptists to have more ability to serve their Lord and their church. So every Christian who is not busy should find a place in the Training Union, for the glory of God, and the improvement of one's self.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Paul Swanson.

**REPORT ON TEMPERANCE**

Proverbs 20:1 — Solomon said, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

Proverbs 23: 29-32 we read, "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine: they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."

Beverage alcohol is enemy number 1. The beverages are spending millions of dollars each year to deceive the people into accepting and consuming their poisonous and ungodly products. We cannot afford to be silent, indeliberate or complacent about this matter. In the state of North Carolina and every state in the union, crimes and accidents are being committed and caused by people under the influence of strong drink. Pastors and laymembers of the Alleghany Association, I would appeal to you as I would the churches of this state along with the churches of other states, would lend our influence and effort in every possible way to secure a state-wide referendum which would abolish the legal sale of liquor in this state and all the other states of the union. Laws are made to make our country a better place in which to live. They are designed to give us a safer place where high Christian morals are upheld and civil righteousness is the order. A good way to insure the right enforcement of laws is to elect dedicated men to fill the office. We encourage each church and association to promote a program of education concerning the alcohol problem, and help create a militant spirit against the sale and use of alcohol beverages.

The allied church league is doing a commendable work in encouraging law enforcement and fighting the sale and use of alcohol beverages. Films on alcohol education are available from Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff, 119 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, N. C. The magazine "Tomorrow" is a strong voice against beverage alcohol and for civil righteousness. The committee on good government led by Rev. Cashwell, Sr. has been effective along these lines and we urge our people to stand up and be counted right where they are in the home, town, country.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. H. McKnight.

**IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED DEAD**

Laurel Springs	Brother John C. Moxley, Mrs. Bettie D. Miller
Mt. Carmel	Mrs. G. P. Crutchfield
New Hope	Mrs. R. C. Halsey, Mrs. Andy Mabe
New River	Bro. Charlie H. Edwards, Mrs. Norma Jean
Maines	
Scottville	Brother Frank Perry



TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location, Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meetings	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES												Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Number Jews Baptized	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass	State Paper in Budget	No. Missions Operated by Ch.	Pastor's Annual Salary	(Whether had a pastor or not)
Belview	R 1909	1	C. H. McKnight, Independence	0	0	1	38 16	54	0	0	0	No	No	No	0	81.00	0													
Chestnut Grove	R 1887	1	Charlie Richardson, N. Wilkesboro	0	1	0	38 28	54	0	0	0	No	No	No	0	150.00	0													
Laurel Springs	R 1891	2	James E. Revis, Sparta, N. C.	3	2	4	44 22	66	0	1	0	Yes	No	No	0	1,447.00	0													
Liberty	R 1886	1	James E. Revis, Sparta, N. C.	0	3	0	35 22	57	0	1	3	Yes	No	No	1	600.00	0													
Mt. Carmel	R 1884	1	Everett Shaw, Glade Valley	4	0	1	33 50	88	0	1	0	No	No	No	0	300.00	0													
New Hope	R 1881	2	A. K. Taylor, Independence	1	0	4	22 15	37	0	1	0	No	No	No	0	50.00	0													
New River	R 1939	1	E. B. Barton, Atkins, Va.	2	1	2	47 32	79	0	1	0	No	No	No	0	782.00	0													
Osborne Mem.	R 1943	1	fimmie Bryant, N. Wilkesboro	3	2	3	57 32	89	0	1	1	No	No	No	0	0	0													
Pine Fork	R 1898	2	Wiley Corroll, Purlear, N. C.	5	2	7	74 7	81	0	2	0	No	No	No	0	0	0													
Scottville	R 1925	1	Jack W Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	0	1	2	50 30	80	0	2	0	No	No	No	0	0	0													
				3	4	11	166, 62	228	0	1	20	Yes	No	No	0	3,600.00	0													

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School En.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Belview .....	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs	0	0	0	0	7	0	8	0	15	0	0	0	30	15	0	0	No	0
Chestnut Grove ...	George Taylor, Whitehead, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	14	0	0	0	22	15	0	0	No	0
Laurel Springs .....	Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3	3	3	4	9	10	0	0	14	0	5	0	33	21	52	47	Yes	0
Liberty .....	Mrs. W. O. McCracken, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	12	0	23	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	48	32	47	42	No	0
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C.	0	0	14	0	6	16	0	0	25	0	5	0	66	29	0	0	No	0
New Hope .....	Glen Vestal, Piney Creek, N. C.	0	0	10	0	14	12	0	0	14	0	0	0	50	30	32	26	No	1
New River .....	Jesse W. Davis, Galax, Va.	0	0	10	0	5	9	0	0	16	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	No	0
Osborne Memorial .....	E. C. Minnich, Piney Creek, N. C.	0	0	7	8	8	13	1	2	29	0	0	0	68	40	0	0	No	0
Pine Fork .....	Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	9	0	0	10	0	0	16	0	5	0	40	38	25	21	No	0
Scottville .....	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville, N. C.	0	0	0	5	6	0	10	0	9	0	0	0	30	25	25	20	No	0
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C.	18	13	18	31	29	37	17	0	70	0	7	0	240	108	0	0	No	0



TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS, ADDRESSES											
		Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Mission Enrollment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Laurel Springs .....	Mrs. E. W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	0	0	3	9	6	0	10	0	6	34	25
New Hope .....	Mrs. Paul Swanson, Scottville, N. C. ....	0	0	8	0	10	0	13	0	0	31	16
Osborne Memorial .....	Mrs. Ray Parlier, Piney Creek, N. C. ....	0	0	6	8	0	11	24	0	8	49	35
Pine Fork .....	Claude Roupe, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	0	0	4	0	18	0	12	0	3	37	30
Sparta .....	J. M. Sturgil, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	8	12	20	0	0	0	0	40	25

TABLE D -- WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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TABLE G AND H — TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Bibles, Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Genevances	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Belview, A. E. Jones	152.00				11.00				11.00	81.00	92.00
Chestnut Grove, George Taylor	184.00							33.00	33.00	150.00	183.00
Laurel Springs, Mrs. I. S. Moxley		70.00	37.00	42.00		25.00	110.00	2,127.00	2,431.00	1,447.00	3,903.00
Liberty, Mrs. Ray E. Caudill	1,213.00	57.00	456.00		18.00	5.00	56.00	14.00	606.00	402.00	1,038.00
Mt. Carmel, F. W. Royal	383.00		27.00	17.00	5.00	33.00	66.00	39.00	238.00		238.00
New Hope, Mrs. D. J. Jones					33.00	54.00	100.00	19.00	221.00	264.00	435.00
New River, C. G. Pollard							30.00	12.00	62.00	50.00	112.00
Osborne Mem., Mrs. Bays Parsons	1,147.00	60.00	255.00		74.00	2.00	39.00	63.00	543.00	762.00	1,324.00
Pine Fork, Posie Pruitt			13.00	50.00	58.00		119.00	73.00	318.00	106.00	424.00
Scottville, James Church			165.00		25.00		57.00	25.00	273.00	176.00	449.00
Sparta, Ralph Evans	9,007.00	260.00	319.00	2,303.00	337.00	25.00	156.00	587.00	4,938.00	3,590.00	7,573.00

## CHURCHES AND TREASURERS

TABLE I AND J — MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	MISSION EXPENDITURES										TOTAL EXPENDITURES	
	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures For All Purposes		
Belview — C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs .....		26.00			9.00	10.00	15.00		60.00	152.00		
Chestnut Grove — Mrs. Lena Edwards, Sparta .....												
Laurel Springs — Mrs. Van Miller, Laurel Springs .....	51.00	236.00	25.00	30.00	15.00	98.00	45.00	35.00	535.00	4,443.00		
Liberty — Mrs. W. O. McCracken, Sparta .....	32.00	50.00				18.00	18.00	40.00	158.00	1,165.00		
Mt. Carmel — F. W. Royal, Glade Valley .....						16.00	31.00	25.00	72.00	310.00		
New Hope — D. J. Jones, Scottville .....		40.00	10.00			10.00	10.00		70.00	454.00		
New River — Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va. ....		12.00					11.00		23.00	135.00		
Osborne Mem. — Jim Leff Osborne, Sparta .....		30.00		10.00		13.00	15.00	85.00	153.00	1,478.00		
Pine Fork — Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs .....	7.00	13.00				16.00	19.00		55.00	479.00		
Scottville — Mrs. Laura Shepherd, Laurel Springs .....		10.00				10.00	15.00	12.00	47.00	588.00		
Sparta — H. E. Singletary, Sparta .....	127.00	275.00	55.00	81.00	143.00	50.00	50.00	78.00	760.00	8,438.00		

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
17. 1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
19. 1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	W. F. Doughton
20. 1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	B. F. Reeves
21. 1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	G. T. Caudill
22. 1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
23. 1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26. 1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek



30. 1926, Sep. 10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31. 1927, Sep. 9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32. 1928, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33. 1929, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34. 1930, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35. 1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38. 1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgiss
39. 1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40. 1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41. 1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42. 1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43. 1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44. 1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45. 1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46. 1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47. 1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48. 1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49. 1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50. 1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51. 1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52. 1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53. 1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	I. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54. 1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	E. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55. 1951, Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	W. F. Blevins	Van F. Miller
56. 1952, Sep. 13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	F. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton
57. 1953, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	W. J. Ford	W. F. Doughton
58. 1954, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
59. 1955, Sep. 10-11	Mt. Carmel	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	R. R. Campbell	A. O. Joines
60. 1956, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	Audley Fraizer	A. O. Joines







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### CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

### MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

### OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the

developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

### **POWERS AND PREROGATIVES**

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers; Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which members shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a small Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superin-

tend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association and interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specified authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three persons in the God-head — the Father the Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one

2nd. We believe that the Bible — the Old and New Testament — is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thur baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of



the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
C. J. Woodson,  
E. L. Tucker,  
I. W. Thomas  
J. E. Fletcher, Committee.

### **RULES OF ORDER**

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.
3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.
4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.
5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.
6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.
7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.
8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.
9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.
10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice" preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.



**ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
**SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**SEPTEMBER 7**

- 10:00 Hymn  
Devotion and Words of Welcome .... Rev. E. B. Barton  
10:15 Recognition of Visitors  
Roll Call of Churches  
10:30 Report of Executive Committee ..... A. O. Joines  
10:35 Report of Baptist Publications ... Mrs. Ben Reeves  
10:45 Report of W. M. U. .... Mrs. R. E. Richardson  
11:05 Report on Missions ..... Rev. A. B. Frazier  
11:20 Evangelism ..... Rev. E. B. Barton  
11:35 Appointment of Committees  
11:40 Sermon ..... Rev. C. H. McKnight  
12:20 Lunch  
1:30 Devotion ..... Rev. L. G. Sherwood  
1:40 Recognition of Visitors  
1:45 Report on Hospital ..... Rev. W. M. Hamm  
2:00 Report on Christian Education ..... Rev. Jack Byrd  
Address ..... C. Sylvester Green  
2:30 Temperance Report ..... Rev. A. K. Taylor  
Address ..... Rev. R. M. Hariss  
3:00 Report on Home for the Aging ..... A. O. Joines  
3:15 Daily Vacation Bible School ..... Claude Roupe  
3:25 American Bible Society ..... E. C. Minnich  
3:30 Radio & Visual Education ..... Miss Donna Jones  
3:40 Report of Committees and Election of Officers  
Adjourn

**SEPTEMBER 8**

- 10:00 Hymn  
Devotion ..... Rev. Audley Frazier  
10:20 Recognition of Visitors  
10:25 Report of Ass'n Sunday Schools ..... Paul Swanson  
10:35 Report of Training Unions ..... Mrs. Paul Swanson  
10:45 Report of Children's Home ..... Mrs. Glen Vestal  
Address ..... Supt. W. C. Reed  
11:15 Hymn  
11:20 Sermon ..... Rev. Jack Byrd  
12:00 Adjournment

# Proceedings

## SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

## ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### HELD WITH

### OSBORNE MEMORIAL CHURCH

September 7-8, 1957.

- Morning Session
- 10:00 ~~Henry~~ — "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" led by F. W. Royal.  
Devotion: Rev. E. B. Barton. Rev. Barton extended a cordial welcome to those attending this session. Moderator Van Miller asked Mr. H. E. Singletary, serving as clerk in the absence of George Shepherd, to call the roll of churches. Delegates from each church in the Association were present.
- 10:15 Visitors from other associations were recognized by Mr. Miller and two new pastors in this association were given recognition. These were L. G. Sherwood, pastor Laurel Springs, and Chas. R. Freeman, pastor of Liberty. Rev. George M. Reeves pastor of Belview church was welcomed back to the association. Mr. Reeves had served pastorates in this association many years ago.
- 10:30 Reports of Executive Committee was given by A. O. Joines, Chairman. There was a motion and second for the adoption of the report that follows

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Alleghany Baptist Association commend the pastors, the churches, and the laymen for the support given our missionary in this association for the past year. The work was new but you have responded in a great way, and increased interest has been evident as we learn more about his duties. We heartily commend the work of Rev. Audley Frazier. He is dedicated to his work and loves the mountain people. We earnestly hope that all the churches, pastors, and church people will cooperate with him, for we do not know a better way to train our youth in Christian living.

We are especially pleased that our Baptist people, during this period of prosperity, are giving more liberally to the causes of the denomination. You are supporting your pastors and giving more liberally to all the good causes of the Baptist denomination.

We especially commend the forward step taken by Sparta Baptist Church in the erection of an education building.

We observe also that Osborne Memorial has greatly increased attendance by providing transportation.

When all our churches assume their full responsibility in the work of the Association our Baptist Denomination will grow and prosper. Meet in your churches on the Sabbath Day

— Sing hymns of praise and prayer. Create a Christian atmosphere in which to live.

Respectfully submitted

A. O. Joines, Chairman

10:35 Report of Baptist Publications, Mrs. Ben Reeves was absent and no report was given.

10:40 Report of W. M. U. Mrs R. E. Richardson. The following report was adopted.

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

The Woman's Missionary Union has had for it's watchword through the years "Laborers together with God," taken from 1 Cor. 3:9. We also try to help carry out Christ's command of: "Ye shall be witness unto me both in Jerusalem and all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1: 8.

While considering "Our Jerusalem" to be within the bounds of our own Alleghany Baptist Association we try to lay special emphasis on prayer as the undergirding force in the total life of the organization. This is done through encouraging worship in the home, individual and united prayer. Cottage and church prayer meetings, our calendar of prayer for all our missionaries on their birthdays, especially; and the seasons and weeks of prayer each year for State, Home and Foreign Mission, accompanied with our special offerings for the objects. Also, in the "Jerusalem" of our Association Community missions is carried on in the interest of the salvation of the lost, showing Christian fellowship to those in need or in sorrow and the strengthening of Christian Standards of living in the community. In addition, there is the work among our youth through their organizations and enlistment on which we fall so far short of our goal. We are still praying that others may "Lift up their eyes and look on the fields" and want to join our little band of about on hundred women and young people in this great business for our Lord.

As we think of the "In Judea" of Christ command we consider the same kind of work as it spreads out over our own state of North Carolina; through our gifts to the Heck-Jones Memorial Fund and our State Mission Season of Prayer and offering — which this year is being promoted by the whole church during the week of September 9-15. Last year our offering for these two causes was \$148.13. We hope to make it much more this year.

Our "Samaria" is our Home Mission Field about which we study a mission book each year and observe a special week of prayer as we study the work and give our offering for this phase of our work. The amount last March for Home Missions was \$122.90.

Finally, our minds, hearts and prayers were focused on "the uttermost part of the earth" last November and December by studying a Foreign Mission Book on Japan taught by Mrs. John Wacaster of Cherryville, our State Field Representative of the W. M. U. The first week in December we had our five day season of prayer and studied about our foreign missionaries; making us conscious of the need and how we

could help through our prayers and offerings, which are given each year in memory of Miss Lottie Moon, who gave her life that some of the people in China might know and love her Lord and ours, who gave Himself for us all. Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering last year was \$494.41. There was an additional gift of \$52.25 to the Middleton Fund to help our own Regional Missionaries as they returned to their work in Chili, South America.

Our total gifts to all mission causes were \$546.66 as compared to \$75.71 ten years ago, but how we need more missionary-hearted women in all of our churches who are willing to say "Here am I, Lord! Use me."

We enjoyed the hospitality and fellowship with the women of Laurel Springs church as we met there for our annual meeting last May and were inspired to carry on by our guest speakers Mrs. A. L. Parker, Greensboro, N. C. State W. M. U. vice-president; Mrs. Robert Stanley, Jr., Missionary to Brazil and Mrs. Roy Davis, Regional Young People Leader, Mt. Airy, N. C. The next meeting is to be held with Sparta church next spring.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. R. E. Richardson.  
Associational W. M. U Supt

11:00 Reports on Missions by Rev. Audley B. Frazier.  
Mr. Frazier made reports on Associational Missions and also on State, Home and Foreign Missions. The following reports were adopted.

### **ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT**

**September 7, 1956 - Sept. 7, 1957**

Type of work done in the churches:

Sermons preached — 12  
Sunday School Classes taught — 7  
Sunday School Study Courses Taught — 2  
Revivals conducted — 2  
Vacation Bible Schools Conducted — 1  
Vacation Bible Schools Promoted — 3  
Devotional Talks — 3

Associational Promotional Efforts:

Associational W. M. U. Mission Study promoted, Sparta — 1  
Training Union "M" Night Laurel Springs — 1  
Baptist Youth Night, Laurel Springs — 1  
Annual W. M. U. Meeting, Laurel Springs — 1  
Vacation Bible School Clinic, Sparta — 1

Mission Emphasis in five of our churches promoting missions, stewardship and church budgets with Rev. Guy Cain, General Missionary for Northwest, N. C. and your Missionary speaking in these churches two or three nights.

Mass meeting of Alleghany and Ashe Associations to present plans and procedures for the Tithers' "Prove Me" Program at Friendship church near Jefferson, N. C.

Other efforts used to promote the work: (In Both Associations).

Conferences: Individual 436, Group 29, Committee 21.

Mail sent out:

Bulletins prepared and mailed, 1663

Cards, 453.

Letters, 792.

Reports, 75.

Calendar of Activities prepared and mailed, 111

Miles traveled, 16,459.

Meetings outside of the Association attended by Missionary:

State Sunday School Planning Meeting — Morganton, 1.

Region W. M. U. Meeting, Boonville, 1.

Training Union Associational Officers Planning Meeting, High Point, 1.

Baptist State Convention, Winston-Salem, 3

Home for Aging Representatives Meeting, Winston-Salem, 1.

Hospital Representatives Meeting, Winston-Salem, 1.

Vacation Bible School Clinic, Fruitland, 3

Regional Training Union Meeting, Lenoir, 1.

Regional Brotherhood Convention, Elkin, 1.

Southern Baptist Convention, Chicago, Ill. 4.

Associational Missionaries Week, North Carolina Baptist Assembly Southport, N. C. 5.

Members, pastors, church leaders and all concerned with the work of Christ in Alleghany Association, I am here to serve the churches and people in any type of work that will promote the cause of Christ, win lost people to Christ and cause Christians to grow and develop for Christ. I am your friend and I want to help you. "For we are labourers together with God," I Cor. 3:9a.

Respectively submitted,

Audley B. Frazier,

Associational Missionary.

## REPORT OF STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Jesus said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world" Matt. 23: 19-20. Therefore, the Mission Program is Christ commanded, Holy Spirit directed and God planned program for winning lost people to Christ anywhere and everywhere in the world. Man has many methods, but it is God's Program.

As Southern Baptist we have Community, Associational, State, Home and Foreign Missions Program. We believe in winning the world to Christ at home and to the "uttermost part of the earth."

We practice community missions as we minister to those who need Christ and His Message in the home community, through evangelistic meetings, personal visitation and soul winning.

We have a part in associational missions as we aid the work with our leadership, prayers and material support.

Now, may we come to the broader means of missions: First, the State Mission Program that is under the capable



leadership of Dr. E. L. Spivey ministers in four broad areas, namely:

1. Teaching the Word of God and reaching the lost, this includes Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible Schools, Evangelism and Brotherhood.

2. Training the church members for Christian Living, Giving and Service, this takes in Baptist Training Union, Baptist Student Union Department of Church Music, Royal Ambassadors, Assemblies, Rural Church Work, Work with Negroes.

3. Assistance and Service to Pastors and Churches, which include Pastoral Support, Lots for New Churches, Audio-Visual Aids, Preachers' Schools, Church Planning, Fruitland Bible Institute.

4. Care-Concern and Conservation, this includes, Sanatorium Ministry, Baptist History, Student Loan Fund, Silent People, other races, Allied Church League and Church-State Separation.

These are your services through your Convention for the mutual benefit of all people, churches, and institution, to the limit of the resources that you make possible by your prayers and gifts through the State Missions Department.

Second, may we look at Home Missions: This work is under the leadership of Dr. Courts Redford. As we work through our Home Missions Board located at Atlanta, Ga., we minister to Chinese, Italian, Spanish-speaking Indians, Negroes, Jews, Japanese, Russians, and others providing missionaries, gifts and loans to erect church buildings, programs on missions and evangelism, conferences to help workers do a better job, information through films, news, exhibits, Home Mission Magazine, tracts and school of Missions. In 1956, we had 1,163 home missionaries, who won 35,000 lost people to Christ, help institute 400 new churches, and in beginning about 700 new missions and in the conducting of hundreds of Vacation Bible Schools. This work is carried to more people as you and I pray and support Home Missions.

Third, may we look at Foreign Missions: This method carries the message of Christ to "uttermost part of the earth." This work is directed by Dr. Baker James Cauthen, the headquarters being at Richmond, Va.

Southern Baptist added three countries to our overseas fields in 1956, making the number of countries and territories 383. Total number of missionaries under appointment is 1,154 includes appointment through May 9, 1957.

Our churches need to have a stewardship that is based on the world need for Christ thus making each church a vital supporting base for world Missions.

Alleghany churches gave in 1956 \$379.00 for State, Home and Foreign Missions or an average of \$0.62 per resident member. Or during the same period our churches gave \$1,933.00 for all purposes outside our local church or an average per resident member of \$3.17. May we as Alleghany Baptist follow the Scripture in John 4: 35b "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" and begin being

Missionary in the fivefold scope of the Great Commission.

Respectively submitted,  
Audley B. Frazier.

11:20 Evangelism — Rev. E. B. Barton

Mr. Barton gave a splendid oral report on Evangelism. No written report was available for the minutes.

11:30 Temperance — Rev. A. K. Taylor

The report on temperance was moved up and was given at this time by Mr. Taylor. A motion was made and second to adopt the report. Rev. R. M. Hauss, of the Allied Church League, spoke on the report. The report was adopted as follows:

### TEMPERANCE REPORT

America must become sober! Of all nations of the earth America can least afford to continue to allow such a free flow of alcoholic beverages. The situation is such that alcohol can do more damage. For instance, we are a melting pot of people of all nationalities and colors, and race prejudice is widespread. Beer, wine and whiskey can and do so often, add fuel to the enflamed hatreds and cause fights and riots that could be prevented if it were not for alcohol. Still further, it is said that "America has implements of the world, and with machinery alcohol will not mix, except to bring disaster. Surely if any nation ever had a crying need for prohibition of liquor, it is America."

It was a dark day in recent American history when someone in a position of responsibility deliberately lied about the intoxicating effect of beer up to 3.2 per cent alcohol. There was a great number of people who wanted to believe this lie, and there were people who knew it was a lie, but they wanted to capitalize upon the weakness of many people. Thus in a subtle way beer became "respectable" in the eyes of many people. The downright cowardly way in which the beer industry is seeking to make habitual drinkers is nauseating to say the least.

There are many facts about our situation with regard to beer, wine and whiskey that cause us to mourn. We spend only three billion of dollars a year to educate and awaken the brain, and nine billion a year on alcohol to impair the brain and put it to sleep. Shakespeare said, "O that men should put an enemy in their mouth to steal away their brains." Someone else has said that all the history of alcohol is written in blood and tears. Beer, wine and whiskey have played a large part in putting America ahead in divorces and juvenile delinquency.

The alcoholic beverage industry has a history of rebellion and lawlessness. The first rebellion against our nation was the Whiskey Rebellion when George Washington was president. We should not be surprised when the liquor industry uses underhanded methods to trap your son or daughter, but we must be on the alert.

It is the clear duty of every Christian to totally abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages and to do what he or she



can to prevent the manufacture, sale, or use of the same.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. K. Taylor.

11:45 The Moderator appointed the following committees to meet during the lunch hour to make reports.

Time, Place and Preacher Committee:

W. F. Shepherd, Chairman

Dan Jones

Claude Roupe

Nominating Committee:

A. O. Joines, Chairman

Mrs. T. S. Moxley

Ray Parlier

Resolutions Committee:

Mrs. A. O. Joines, Chairman

Rev. Audley B. Frazier

Mrs. Walter Johnson

11:50 Sermon by Rev. C. H. McKnight

Subject and text: "Arise, Let Us Go Hence" Phil. 3:13

Prayer: Rev. George M. Reeves.

12:30 Recess for Lunch

### AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 Devotion by Rev. L. G. Sherwood

The Moderator recognized and welcomed visitors to the afternoon session. Among these were Dr. W. K. McGee, N. C. Baptist Hospital representative; Dr. Robert Holt, representing Mars Hill College and Rev. J. M. Hayes from the Homes for the Aging.

1:45 Report on Baptist Hospital — Rev. W. M. Hamm.

Dr. W. K. McGee spoke on this report and the adopted report follows:

### REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital is dedicated to the service of those in need of medical service.

Once more it has set a record in its ministry to the sick. Last year it provided 123,000 days of bed care for 15,784 patients. There were 61,000 visits to out patients clinics. Patients came from 92 of the 100 counties in North Carolina. The new Bobalt machine is in full operation, providing treatment for about 35 cancer patients each day.

The Alleghany people received \$3,250.00 dollars of free service at our Baptist hospital last year while the churches only gave \$230.75 for this worthy cause.

I do hope our people will see how much we need to do more for this worthy cause "For as much as ye do it to the least of my brethern, ye do it unto me."

Submitted by

Rev. Willie Hamm.

2:00 Report on Christian Education — Rev. Jack Byrd.

Mr. Byrd's report was followed by an address on Christian Education by Dr. Robert Holt. The following report was adopted:

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

North Carolina Baptists can be justly proud of their seven very fine colleges with an enrollment last year of 5,877 students. The enrollment this year will no doubt be even greater.

It is rather interesting to note that there was more than 15 per cent increase in enrollment in our Baptist colleges last year over the previous year of 1955. This is almost double the 8 per cent increase in the enrollment in State supported institutions for white for this college year above that of last. This indeed is a healthy sign. It means that more and more of our fine young people are seeking institutions of higher learning with a wholesome Christian atmosphere. This will make for a better world tomorrow. These young people will receive Christian training in our Baptist Colleges that will influence them throughout all their lives.

We Baptists in Alleghany are happy that we play a role in helping our Baptist colleges to function. We shall continue to support them in every way we can.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack W. Byrd.

- 2:30 Report on Home for the Aging was given by A. O. Joiner. Rev. J. M. Hayes told about the new building at Winston-Salem, and about some of the care the aging were receiving. The following report was seconded and adopted.

## REPORT ON N. C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

This, the seventh year of operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging, has been the greatest year of expansion, thanks to our Lord for His continued favor, and the North Carolina Baptists for their increased support.

The new Administration and Residential Building was opened June 13. All rooms are now occupied, except four in the infirmary, which are reserved for residents who will need them.

The new building increased facilities to 112 residents, counting residents at Resthaven and the Albemarle Home. It, also, added half a million dollars to the value of the assets of the Homes for the Aging.

Another forward step was taken in July when the General Board voted unanimously to accept the offer of Don G. Matthews, Sr., Hamilton, N. C., to give \$50,000 and land on which to build a Home for the Aging in Eastern North Carolina. This fourth Home will probably add space for approximately forty additional residents, thus bringing the total capacity of all the Homes to 150 residents.

Two wills have been probated in Forsyth County in which the Homes were remembered with sizeable gifts when received. Word has come of other will in which the Homes will share.

A total of about eighty-five thousand, (\$85,000) dollars has been received from the February Special Day Offering. This

represents an average gift of ten (10c) per Baptist — 850,000 in number.

The challenge facing the Homes for the Aging at present is to finish paying for the new building, although the Baptist State Convention authorized that the homes might borrow up to one hundred seventy-five thousand (\$175,000) dollars to finish paying for the construction and equipping the new building on Reynolds Park Road. Actually, it was not necessary to borrow but one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars. Surely, with all North Carolina Baptists responding with a generous special day offering on the third Sunday of February, 1958, and with continued gifts coming in from other sources as they have been in the past, this balance of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars should be paid within the year. Accordingly, if every pastor and superintendent of the Sunday School will urge the members of each church to respond to this worthy cause, the Baptist Homes for the Aging would be free of debt by the end of the year, 1958.

The residents, and all connected with the Homes for the Aging are deeply grateful for the support received in the past, and join with the Baptists of our state in thanking God for His favor and blessings year by year.

The state of health of the residents has been remarkably good, considering their ages, 65 to 97 years.

Every Baptist and every Christian worthy of the name wants the faithful ones who, in many instances, have given their lives to the work in our churches provided for as they face the Sunset. Our denomination has accepted the responsibility for this worthy cause — most of our churches have contributed in a limited way to construction of new administration and residential building which was opened in June. Certainly we need to greatly increase our efforts to care for the needy aging men and women who cannot adequately care for themselves.

The total capacity of all the homes is 112 residents, yet many are being turned away for lack of room. The residents and all connected with the Homes for the Aging are deeply grateful for the support received in the past, and join Baptist of the State in thanking God for His favors and blessings year by year.

A. O. Joines.

3:00 Daily Vacation Bible School report was given by Claude Roupe. A motion and second was made for the adoption of this report.

### **REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS**

Brother Moderator and members of the Alleghany Baptist Association; I am sure we are all aware of the ever present problems we are faced with in promoting the work of our Bible Schools.

The one thing we must all keep in view is the urgent need of promoting Vacation Bible Schools in our Churches in cooperation with the Sunday School and Training Union for the advancement in the knowledge of Christ. We must train our rising generation under the Supreme guidance of Christ and

then I am sure as they grow older they will see the importance of building stronger organizations in our churches.

I am happy to report that during this past associational year there has been some progress made in this work.

Our associational missionary Rev. Audley Frazier, along with the assistance of the local church people who have shown a good interest in Vacation Bible School have been able to have schools in six of our churches with one of these being a union school of three churches working together.

Thus, having eight churches taking part in the Bible School Program.

The average attendance for the school was 36.

May we look forward for the year ahead with a determination to strengthen our churches in this work — both with our physical and financial aid. By full cooperation we can and will see results which will be inspiring to us and pleasing to God.

Respectfully submitted,  
Claude S. Roupe.

3:10 Report of American Bible Society — E. C. Minnich.  
The report was adopted as follows:

### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

"The Bible Speaks Today" is not just a slogan. It is the experience of millions of the people around the world. It is a challenge to action. The Bible must speak to more people in this Southern Baptist World Missions Year — and in all the years ahead.

If the people of the world are to know Jesus Christ, the one hope of men and nations, they must have the Bible.

Each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak.

The Bible is the essential tool of missions and evangelism. The missionary uses it in his work. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where the human missionary cannot go. It can stay when he must leave — and keep on speaking to a man's heart.

The American Bible Society helps missionaries to translate the Bible. It publishes without note or comment and distributes without profit, usually below cost. For the blind it supplies scriptures in raised-letter systems and on talking book records.

During 1956 the American Bible Society — distributed throughout the world more than 15 million volumes of scriptures.

Supplied over 13,000 Bibles and other scriptures to Hungarian Refugees coming to the U. S. A. and joined in supplying more to refugees in Austria and other countries.

Donated nearly one million scripture volumes for distribution by Chaplains to our Armed forces, as a vital link between the home churches and the men in service.

Rejoiced in translation of the Bible into more than 1,100 languages. The entire Bible has been translated and published in 210 languages; a complete Testament in 270 more; and at least a Gospel or other complete book in 629 additional languages.

### Southern Baptists Support The Work

Because the Bible Society serves mission work — and because Southern Baptist missionaries depend on the Society for Scriptures they need for distribution to their people — Southern Baptist churches give to the American Bible Society.

Remembering Hebrews 10:24, "Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works" — consider these facts and figures:

In 1956, Southern Baptist churches, with 8 1-2 million members, gave \$120,732 to the American Bible Society. Methodists, with 9 1-4 million members, gave \$174,447. They not only led in the total amount of their gifts; they even gave more per member!

In the words of James 3:10, "Brethren, these things ought not so to be."

Southern Baptists can lead in support of the American Bible Society if every church will give. Here are suggestions, based on what many churches are doing:

Every church can give at least these amounts each year:	
Country and village churches .....	\$10 to \$25
Churches in small cities .....	\$25 to \$100
Larger churches .....	\$100 to \$200
Great city churches .....	\$200 to \$500 or more

Please send gifts to your Baptist state office marked "for the American Bible Society."

#### 3:25 Report of Committees:

Time, Place and Preacher — W. F. Shepherd, Chairman

Time — Sept. 13, 14, 1958

Place — Scottville Baptist Church

Preacher — Rev. Jack Byrd

Alternate — Rev. Wiley Carroll

Nominating Committee — A. O. Joines, Chairman

Moderator — E. C. Minnich

Vice-Moderator — Rev. Jack Byrd

Clerk-Treasurer — Mrs. T. S. Moxley

Vice-Clerk-Treasurer — Mrs. Gene R. Irwin

Pianist — Mrs. Annie Porter

Historian — John M. Cheek

Chorister — F. W. Royal

Benediction was pronounced by Dr. W. K. McGee.

### SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 8

10:00 Hymn — "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Congregation

Devotion ..... Rev. Audley Frazier

Mr. Frazier read from Acts 2: 1-8

10:20 Moderator Van Miller recognized and welcomed the following visitors:

Rev. William Spradlin, Jr. State B. T. U.

Rev. Guy Cain, Northwestern District Associational Missionary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reed, Mills Home, Thomasville, N. C.



Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowers and Mr. Barker, Ashe Association.

10:25 Report of Associational Sunday Schools was given by Paul Swanson. The report was adopted as follows:

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT**

#### **TO ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

Sunday schools have become an almost universally diffused means of religious culture, in connection with church work and Christian activity.

The Sunday school has a definite purpose of teaching the word of God, so that people will turn to God. A church school should belong to the church. It should be supported by the church, and should be under the control of the members of the church.

The pastor, as pastor of the church and its work, is also pastor of the Sunday Schools, its general overseer and advisor; he should attend the Sunday School as often as possible and occasionally preach upon the subject of the Sunday School.

I especially want to advise our Alleghany Sunday Schools to make full use of all our Missionary Baptist literature, written by our scholars. I especially want to recommend to all our adult teachers the use of Broadman's comments, all available quarterlies, and other aids on the general subject of Sunday School.

Our eleven churches this year are 100 per cent in active Sunday School work, I am happy to report. We now have a total average attendance of approximately 450 in the Alleghany Association.

This attendance is good but it is still not good enough, we need more and better transportation and organization in order to carry those to Sunday School who do not have a way to ride. We should share our material gains more generously with those less fortunate than we, or our fortunes might suddenly end.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Swanson.

10:35 Report of Baptist Training Unions — Mrs. Paul Swanson. A motion was made and seconded for the adoption of this report. Rev. William Spradlin Jr., gave an interesting message on the training of the young people.

### **TRAINING UNION REPORT**

Up to April of this year we had five training Unions in the Association. "M" Night was held at Laurel Springs, with 140 present. The hostess church served refreshments in a fellowship meeting after the program.

Youth night was held again at Laurel Springs with our Youth taking part on the program. Sparta having the largest group present. Rev. N. C. Teague of Elkin brought an inspiring message to the Union.

Pine Fork, New Hope and Laurel Springs were joint hostess for the evening. Total enrolled, 211.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Paul Swanson.



10:50 Report of Baptist Children's Homes. In the absence of Mrs. Glenn Vestal, Mrs. Paul Swanson read the prepared report. Mr. W. C. Reed, Supt. of Mill's Home told of some of the work being done there to help the needy children. This was an inspiring message.

### REPORT OF BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

The year 1956 was another busy one at the Baptist Children's Homes. We were able to admit to our care only one-fifth of the children for whom application was made. There were a total of 813 applications. Of this number only 169 children could be admitted to some phase of our program. Certainly all the other 644 were in need or their applications would not have been signed by Baptist pastors.

Careful research by our Social Service Department, in cooperation with the pastors who had signed the applications, made it possible to place many of these 644 children with relatives or other agencies where their needs are being met. Many others could not be placed and are still waiting for someone to come to their rescue. Our pastors have been most tolerant and cooperative in trying to reach the weight decisions as to which children were in greatest need and should be admitted to fill our few vacancies.

The questions often arises, "How many dependent children should North Carolina Baptists provide for." Probably an exact answer is impossible. Last year we served a total of 751, an increase of 15 over the year before. Of these, 126 were supported in Foster Boarding Homes. Perhaps a conservative estimate is that Baptists of North Carolina should serve about 1,000 children annually. It is, therefore, planned to gradually expand the Foster Home Program until we as a denomination are caring for our proportionate share of dependent children.

Another need is the Indian Orphanage at Pembroke. This Home, which cares for fifteen to twenty children, is located in Robeson County in the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association. Since this home has not been and probably cannot be adequately supported by the local Association, considerable sentiment has developed among North Carolina Baptists for admitting it as a part of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc. In view of this sentiment and the pressing need, the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Children's Homes at their regular annual meeting in May, 1957, voted unanimously to recommend to the Baptist State Convention, at its annual meeting in November, that the Pembroke Orphanage be made a part of the North Carolina Baptist Child Care Program. If the convention approves this action, it will necessitate the erection of one cottage at Pembroke at a cost of about \$50,000.00 and an additional operating budget of about \$20,000.00 per year.

The only possible way now for your Children's Homes to get more money to meet these challenging needs is through an increased Thanksgiving offering in November. If every church will increase its Thanksgiving offering ten per cent this will give us the \$20,000.00 to support the children at Pembroke. As our people go beyond this amount in their giving,

we will expand the Foster Home Program and care for some of the 644 children who had to be turned away last year. Surely the Master is not pleased with His servants until they have done their best.

Since our report last year we have built a new swimming pool at Kennedy Home, and a new cottage for boys is under construction. Perhaps a contract for another boys cottage at Mills Home will be let within the next twelve months. These new buildings are erected with special gifts and bequests.

Charity and Children continues to serve North Carolina Baptists in promoting the Kingdom of God. It not only keeps our people informed about their program of child care, but all phases of our denominational work. Here it joins hands with the Biblical Recorder and all Southwide Baptist publications in trying to let the people see what transpires in our conventions, Associations, board meetings, and institutional programs.

11:15 Rev. Guy Cain, Northwestern District Associational Missionary, Boone, N. C. gave an address on Missions.

11:30 Report of Resolutions Committee by Mrs. A. O. Joines. A motion was made and seconded for the adoption of the following report.

### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the Alleghany Baptist Association met at it's sixty-first annual session and enjoyed a great program, therefore

Be it resolved that we hereby express our gratefull appreciation to each one who had a part on the program, particularly to those who came from distances to inform us further about the Baptist program in our state and about the various institutions and their work, and

Be it resolved further that we express the sincere gratitude of our hearts to the associational officers, missionaries and pastors for faithful services rendered; to Osborne Memorial church and its pastor for the bountiful dinner, their comfortable building and the many courtesies extended to us during this session.

Also, thanks are due Willie Busic and the highway officials for signs and road improvement; and all who labored and served so freely to make this association so successful.

In the coming year, let us resolve to labor together with our new officers to win more souls to Christ, advance the kingdom of Christ by prayer, gifts to missions, personal living and stand against evil of all forms.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. A. O. Joines,  
Audley Frazier,  
Mrs. Walter Johnson, Committee.

11:35 Hymn "Rescue The Perishing" ..... Congregation  
11:40 Closing sermon ..... Rev. Jack Byrd  
Prayer ..... W. C. Reed

**IN MEMORIAM**

CHESTNUT GROVE — Mrs Artha Pardue  
LAUREL SPRINGS — M. Emmette Reeves  
LIBERTY — Mrs. J. T. Fender, Ray Hauser, Jr.  
MOUNT CARMEL — Mrs. Jennie Crouse  
NEW HOPE — Mrs. S. O. Edwards  
NEW RIVER — Deacon Greer Billings  
OSBORNE MEMORIAL — Mrs. Minnie Wyatt

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location, Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Local Missions Ope. by Ch.	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Belview	R	1909	1	Geo. M. Reeves, W. Jefferson	0	0	0	1	37	17	54	2	0	No	No	0	95.00
Chestnut Grove	R	1887	1	Everette Shaw, Glade Valley	0	0	1	1	24	24	48	1	0	No	No	0	100.00
Laurel Springs	R	1891	4	L. G. Sherwood, Fleetwood	0	2	11	44	26	66	1	6	Yes	No	No	0	1,480.00
Liberty	R	1881	2	Chas. R. Freeman, State Road	0	0	2	35	22	53	1	2	No	No	No	0	750.00
Mount Carmel	R	1884	1	Everette Shaw, Glade Valley	9	1	2	46	50	96	1	0	No	No	No	0	
New Hope	R	1881	2	Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs	1	0	1	24	15	39	1	0	Yes	No	No	0	300.00
New River	R	1939	2	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	2	4	2	26	56	82	1	0	No	No	No	0	50.00
Osborne Mem.	R	1943	4	E. B. Barton, Atkins, Va.	14	4	3	72	32	104	2	1	No	No	No	0	800.36
Pine Fork	R	1898	2	Jimmy Bryant, N. Wilkesboro	3	0	1	76	7	83	2	0	No	No	No	0	174.00
Scottville	R	1925	1	Wiley Carroll, Purlear	0	0	1	41	30	71	1	0	No	No	No	0	210.00
Sparta	T	1886	4	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta	23	1	2	169	76	245	1	15	Yes	Yes	No	0	3,700.00

*Church Membership*

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll												Number Training Schools				
		Nurses	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School En.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	January Bible Study
Belview	George W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs	0	0	0	5	0	10	0	13					34	20			
Chestnut Grove	George Taylor, Whitehead													18				
Laurel Springs	Van Miller, Laurel Springs	0	11	6	2	5	0	0	16	0	4	0	0	43	22	61	54	Yes
Liberty	Miss Pearl Bengé, Whit head																	
Mt. Carmel	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley	14			6	15		6	24					65	33	25	39	36
New Hope	Glenn Vestal, Piney Creek			11	14	15		18						57	33	35	30	Yes
New River	Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va., Rt. 1																	
Osborne Memorial	Ernest Minnich, Piney Creek	0	18	13	17	0	18	0	15	20	0	0	0	101	79	0	0	No
Pine Fork	Johnnie Bryant, Laurel Springs	0	0	11	0	9	0	0	16			5	0	41	30	0	0	No
Scottville	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville	0	4	6	0	6	0	12	32	0	0	0	0	49	30	20	19	Yes
Sparta	M. E. Singletary, Sparta	0	17	20	20	46	28	23	0	79	0	7	0	240	107	88	77	Yes

TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	Mission Enrollment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week?
		0	0	6	7	4	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	28	16
Laurel Springs	Rosalee Blevins, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	8	10	13	0	13	0	10	0	0	31	16	No
New Hope	Mrs. Paul Swanson, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	6	8	12	0	14	0	0	0	0	38	24	No
Osborne Memorial	Mrs. Ray Parlier, Piney Creek, N. C.	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	4	8	0	3	24	20	No
Pine Fork	Claude Roupe, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	28	No
Sparta	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	16	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	47	28	No

TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers, All Org.
		1	0	0	0	112	0	0	0	0	12	2
Liberty .....	Mrs. W. B. Estep, Whitehead, N. C. ....	1	0	0	0	112	0	0	0	0	12	2
Sparta .....	Mrs. Will Johnson, Sparta, N. C. ....	3	0	2	0	531	0	29	0	60	13	
Total .....	.....	4	0	2	0	643	0	29	0	72	15	



TABLE E — BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Sparta	.....	Homer Edwards, Sparta, N. C.	.....	25	0	25	Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Young Men's Brotherhood En.	Total Men	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrollment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Intermediate R. A. Enrollment	Total R. A. Enrollment	Grand Total Enrollment
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TABLE F — MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Ass'n Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects, Relief, Annuity	Total Mission Expenditure	Grand Total All Purposes	
Belview .....	C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs .....	10	40	0	0	0	0	10	15	0	35	215
Chestnut Grove ...	Mrs. Lena Edwards, Sparta .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	15	133
Laurel Springs ...	Mrs. Van Miller, Laurel Springs .....	40	250	25	0	25	97	40	25	520	2775	
Liberty .....	Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead .....	33	50	10	0	12	10	14	0	129	883	
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley .....	0	0	0	0	0	22	35	17	74	717	
New Hope .....	D. J. Jones, Scottville .....	6	40	5	0	0	10	11	8	84	927	
New River .....	Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va. ....	4	0	0	5	0	8	12	3	32	233	
Osborne Mem. ....	Jim Leff Osborne, Sparta .....	75	0	0	0	0	28	25	12	65	3089	
Pine Fork .....	Johnnie Bryant, Laurel Springs .....	0	5	0	0	0	10	17	0	30	530	
Scottville .....	Mrs. Laura Shepherd, Scottville .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	0	25	353
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta .....	173	300	21	123	249	40	40	68	1043	8876	

TABLE G — TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES AND TREASURES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Maintenance and Repairs, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions, Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Belview — C. E. Jones .....	215	0	0	15	0	52	18	0	95	215
Chestnut Grove — .....	133	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	133
Laurel Springs — Mrs. T. S. Moxley .....	2595	117	453	48	0	98	54	369	1335	2745
Liberty — Mrs. Ray Caudill .....	1033	0	0	25	5	35	413	413	0	1033
Mount Carmel — F. W. Royal .....	693	99	40	11	131	96	116	643	0	716
New Hope — Mrs. D. J. Jones .....	243	0	0	31	0	0	22	53	106	243
New River — .....	236	0	100	39	0	49	48	195	6	236
Osborne Memorial — Mrs. Bays Parsons .....	3164	842	850	60	75	322	0	2149	800	3089
Pine Fork — Posie Pruitt .....	499	37	0	37	0	118	113	305	174	530
Scottville — James Church .....	353	0	0	43	20	35	20	118	210	353
Sparta — Ralph Evans .....	9853	1634	1151	612	25	150	291	4123	3710	8876

## HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26. 1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek

30.	1926,	Sep.	10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927,	Sep.	9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928,	Sep.	7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929,	Sep.	6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930,	Sep.	12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931,	Sep.	11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932,	Sep.	9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933,	Sep.	8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934,	Sep.	7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgess
39.	1935,	Sep.	6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936,	Sep.	12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937,	Sep.	10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938,	Sep.	9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939,	Sep.	8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940,	Sep.	6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941,	Sep.	12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942,	Sep.	12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. C. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943,	Sep.	11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944,	Sep.	9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945,	Sep.	8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946,	Sep.	7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947,	Sep.	13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948,	Sep.	11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949,	Sep.	10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54.	1950,	Sep.	9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55.	1951,	Sep.	8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	T. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
56.	1952,	Sep.	13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	W. P. Doughton	W. F. Doughton
57.	1953,	Sep.	12-13	Bellview	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	H. J. Ford	W. F. Doughton
58.	1954,	Sep.	11-12	Sparta	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
59.	1955,	Sep.	10-11	Mt. Carmel	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	R. R. Campbell	A. O. Joines
60.	1956,	Sep.	8-9	Liberty	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	Audley Fraizer	A. O. Joines
61.	1957,	Sep.	14-15	Osborne Mem.	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines







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**— Held With —**

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 E. C. Minnich ..... Osborne Memorial Church  
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 ..... Chestnut Grove Church

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 Training Union ..... Claude Roupe  
 Sunday Schools ..... T. S. Moxley  
 Daily Vacation Bible Schools ..... Mrs. Bill Shiflett  
 Home for Aging ..... Mrs. Geo. W. Shepherd  
 Radio & Visual Education ..... Miss Donna Jones  
 American Bible Society ..... E. C. Minnich  
 Brotherhood ..... Dean Richardson

**MESSENGERS — 1959**

Belview — Geo. W. Shepherd, C. E. Jones and Mrs. Wayne Church.  
 Chestnut Grove — Geo. Taylor, Mrs. Cora Taylor and Mrs. Lena Edwards.  
 Laurel Springs — Van F. Miller, S. S. Landreth, Robert Joines, Mrs. T. S. Moxley and W. F. Doughton, honorary.  
 Liberty — A. O. Joines, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Miss Kathleen Jarvis, Mrs. Mc D. Wagoner and Mrs. Jettie Joines.  
 Mt. Carmel — Paul Woodruff, A. C. Caudill, F. W. Royal and Stewart Lyon.



- New Hope — Mrs. Paul Swanson, Miss Donna Jones and Rex Wyatt.  
 New River — J. W. Wagoner, Oscar Shomate and Robert L. Reeves.  
 Osborne Memorial — Bays Parson, Jim Leff Osborne, Harry Young and Mrs. E. C. Minnich.  
 Pine Fork — Major Mabe, Claude Roupe, Mrs. Mary Cowan and Mrs. Claude Roupe.  
 Scottville — Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Mrs. Kathleen Perkins and Mrs. Laura Shepherd.  
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### RESIDENT MINISTERS

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| Rev. Everett Shaw  | Glade Valley, N. C.   |
| Rev. W. M. Hamm    | Laurel Springs, N. C. |
| Rev. Brady Farmer  | Sparta, N. C.         |
| Rev. Hayes McClure | Laurel Springs, N. C. |
| Rev. Clyde Edwards | Sparta, N. C.         |

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| Rev. Gene Baker       | Elk Creek, Va.          |
| Rev. Johnnie Edwards  | Independence, Va.       |
| Rev. George M. Reeves | West Jefferson, N. C.   |
| Rev. A. K. Taylor     | Independence, Va.       |
| Rev. Chas. Freeman    | State Road, N. C.       |
| Rev. Jimmy Bryant     | North Wilkesboro, N. C. |
| Rev. Lee M. Woodruff  | Salem, Va.              |

### CONSTITUTION

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

### MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

### OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in co-operation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

### POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers; Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which members shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a small Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association and interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specified authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### **ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES**

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head — the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible — the Old and New Testament — is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
C. J. Woodson,  
E. L. Tucker,  
I. W. Thomas,  
J. E. Fletcher, Committee.

### RULES OF ORDER

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.  
2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice" preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
**SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 1958**

**THEME: "WE'VE A STORY TO TELL"**

**Saturday Morning**

"We've A Message To Give . . . ."

- 9:30 Hymn 379—Scripture—Prayer .. The Rev. Wiley Carroll
- 9:45 Organization and Business
- (1) Seating of Messengers — Roll Call
- (2) Reception of Visitors and New Pastors
- 10:00 Report of Executive Committee
- Report of Treasurer
- Report of Associational Missionary
- The Rev Audley Frazier
- 10:30 Music
- 10:35 Appointment of Committees
- 10:40 State, Home & Foreign Missions Report
- Mrs. Ray Parlier
- Address
- 11:30 Associational Sermon ..... The Rev. Ernest Upchurch
- 12:00 Recess for Lunch

**Saturday Afternoon**

"We've A Story To Tell . . . ."

- 1:15 Hymn — Scripture and Prayer, The Rev Hayes McClure
- 1:25 Sunday Schools Report ..... Mr. Paul Swanson
- Vocational Bible School Report .... Mrs. Claude Roupe
- Training Union Report ..... Mrs. Paul Swanson
- W. M. U. Report ..... Mrs. Will Johnson
- Baptist Publications ..... Mrs. Van Miller
- American Bible Society ..... Mr. Robert Reeves
- 2:20 Music
- 2:25 Baptist Hospital Report ..... Mr. W. M. Hamm
- 2:40 Report on Christian Education ..... H. E. Singletary
- 3:30 Radio and Visual Education ..... Mr. James Church
- 3:10 Report on Evangelism ..... The Rev. E. B. Barton
- 3:25 Report on Committees and Election of Officers
- Adjourn



**PROCEEDINGS**

**SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION  
ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**SEPT. 15, 1958**

**Sunday Morning**

**"We've A Saviour To Show"**

- 10:00 Hymn—Scripture and Prayer     The Rev. George Reeves  
10:15 Recognition of Visitors  
10:20 Report on Temperance     The Rev. Charles Freeman  
10:45 Report on Baptist Children's Home     Mrs. W. B. Estep  
11:10 Report on Home for Aging ..... Mrs. Van Miller  
11:25 Music  
11:30 Inspirational Message  
Adjourn

**Proceedings**

**SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION  
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**SEPT. 14, 15, 1958**

**Morning Session**

- 9:30 Hymn — We've a Story to Tell to the Nations.  
The Rev. Wiley Carroll led the devotion using Psalms 77 as the scripture, followed by prayer. Mr. Carroll gave a cordial welcome to all persons attending the meeting.
- 9:45 Moderator E. C. Minnich asked the clerk for the roll call of churches. All churches had messengers present except New River and Chestnut Grove. Visitors present were the Rev. M. H. Kendall, Prof. of Mars Hill College and Rev. and Mrs. M D. Hart of Ashe Association. A new pastor welcomed to the association was the Rev. Hayes McClure, pastor of New Hope and Osborne Memorial Churches.
- 10:00 The report of the Executive Committee was given by A. O. Joines, Chairman. Mr. Joines moved the adoption and Paul Swanson seconded the move to the following report:

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee is much gratified at the progress in Christian work now being done in the Association. The pastors the laymen and the churches are showing renewed interest in various phases of the denominational work. We are pleased with the mission work in this association. It is now being recognized and admitted that this work is laying a foundation out of which much good will come. We heartily commend the pastors and churches for the support given the



missions work. We are especially pleased with the work of Rev. Audley Frazier and earnestly hope that all the churches and pastors cooperate with him. He is dedicated to his work and loves the mountain people.

We especially commend the forward step taken by New Hope church in the erection of a new building; and the work at Sparta on the new education building.

We heartily approve and endorse the work of the Pastor's Conference and hope that all pastors will attend the meetings and take part in the work of the churches and the association.

Let us take courage, rise up and go forth to do this work for God and humanity — believing the victory is not to the strong alone, but to the vigilant, the active and the brave.

Respectfully,

A. O. Joines, Chairman

Executive Committee.

The Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. T. S. Moxley.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward .....	\$ 504.02
Rent from parsonages .....	348.30
Minute funds for 1957—	
Pine Fork Church .....	9.00
Sparta Church .....	5.00
Mission Fund — Sparta .....	300.00
Belview .....	37.00
Laurel Springs .....	212.00
Liberty .....	50.00
New Hope .....	50.00
Total receipts .....	\$1515.32
Expenditures:	
Associational Missions .....	840.00
Printing Minutes .....	99.50
Total .....	939.50
BALANCE .....	\$ 575.82

The Rev. Audley Frazier gave an interesting report of the Associational Missionary. The move for adoption of the report was made by Rev. George M. Reeves and was seconded by Van F. Miller.

#### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY'S REPORT

September 7, 1957 — September 7, 1958

Type of Work done in the Churches:

Sermons Preached — 10

Sunday school classes taught — 1

Sunday School Study Courses taught — 1

Training Union Study Courses taught — 2

Vacation Bible Schools Conducted — 3

Mission Study Books taught — 1

Associational Promotional Efforts:

Training Union "M" Night, Sparta — 1

Training Union Officers Handbook Study, Laurel Springs — 1

Alleghany Baptist Youth Night, New Hope — 1

Vacation Bible School Clinic, Sparta — 1  
 Annual W. M. U. Meeting, Laurel Springs — 1  
 Simultaneous Revival Crusade, June 1 — 8  
 Evangelistic Rally, Liberty — 1  
 Leadership Week, July 28-31  
 Helped in the organization of the Alleghany Ministerial Conference.

Other efforts used to promote the work (both associations)  
 Preachers' School, West Jefferson, January 27-31  
 Forward Program of Church Finance Clinic, July 14-15  
 Seminary Extension Center, West Jefferson, help promote and taught two classes 1957-58

Conferences: Individual, 415; Groups, 28; Committee, 27

Mail sent out:

Letters 1,172  
 Cards 281  
 Reports 62  
 Bulletins 2,639

Calendar of Activities prepared and distributed 200

Miles traveled, 13,840

Meetings outside the Associations attended by the Missionary in the interest of the work

Baptist State Convention, Raleigh — 3  
 State Evangelistic Conference, Charlotte — 1  
 Forward Program of Church Finance Clinic, Hickory — 2  
 Regional Training Union Convention, Boone — 1  
 Southern Baptist Convention, Houston Texas — 4  
 Associational Missionaries Week, Caswell, Southport, N. C. — 5

Respectively submitted,  
 Audley B. Frazier, Missionary  
 Ashe-Alleghany Associations

10:30 Hymn — "Send the Light"

10:35 The following committees were appointed:

Nomination Committee	Resolutions Committee
Van F. Miller, Chm.	Rev. L. G. Sherwood, Chm.
Jim Leff Osborne	Mrs. Van Miller
Mrs. C. G. Richardson	Houston Wyatt

Time, Place and Preacher Committee

Paul Swanson, Chm.  
 Miss Donna Jones  
 W. C. Evans

10:40 State, Home and Foreign Missions Report was given by Mrs. Ray Parlier. Mrs. Parlier moved the report be adopted and Mrs. Paul Swanson seconded the motion. Following the report the Rev. Guy Cain, Northwest District Missionary, brought an interesting message on our Mission work in this district.

## REPORT ON STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Jesus said unto his disciples, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white unto harvest." John 5:35. And then in Matthew 13:28 we find these words. "The field is the world." So should not we as Southern Baptist be greatly concerned over our State, Home and Foreign Mission work?

State Missions is the Missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptist to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist, and train the saved in giving, living and serving through the churches and throughout the world.

There are 4,500,000 people in the State. Out of this number we have 846,000 Baptist Church members. Perhaps 40 per cent of these are enlisted and are being taught and trained in Christian giving, living and serving. This means that 60 per cent of our church constituency is not dedicated in the Christian profession. It is here that we, as Christians have our primary challenge.

The above interpretation of the purpose and challenge of State Missions demands a varied program of Mission activity. Therefore, many phases of our State Missions' work are promoted through the Sunday School, Training Union, and Brotherhood, Royal Ambassadors, Church Development and Music Departments. Over 2,800 Vacation Bible schools will be reported for 1958 — giving \$50,000 to World Missions. Over 7,000 of our Baptist people attend Training Union weeks at Caswell Fruitland and Ridgecrest this summer.

Since 60 per cent of the people in North Carolina are lost they need the Savior. State Missions provides a Department of Evangelism that seeks to inspire pastors and churches to evangelize their communities. We reported 1,330 more baptisms in 1957 than in 1956. North Carolina Baptist churches baptized more people last year than any other state except Texas.

A growing population demands new and stronger churches. State Missions provides a necessary and significant ministry through aid on some church buildings and the purchase of sites for new churches and some one hundred or more salaries for pastors.

A more highly developed and intelligent congregation demands a better trained pastor. State missions promote Pastor's Schools. Last year 175 pastors received better training at Fruitland. Refresher courses are offered at Mars Hill and Chowan Colleges each summer for pastors.

The sources of support for State Mission work are the Co-operative Program, Sunday School Board, Home Mission Board and Special State Missions.

Now, as Southern Baptist we believe also in Home and Foreign Missions. Dr. C. Redford is Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Home Mission Board which is located at Atlanta, Ga. Registration for Home Mission week, August 11th, reached the highest peak in Ridgecrest history: 2,564. At this time we had reported 1,251 missionairies, 66 mission pastors, 447 student workers, and 401 chaplains.

All this sounds well, but are we as Missionary Baptist satisfied with this? No, for we must remember that Christ said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations."

Baker J. Couthen is the Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board which is located at Richmond, Va. He has said that the missionary enterprise is the real hope for

world peace. To me it is a clear expression of the love of God.

Christ is depending on me and you to carry the mission message around the world. May we be Missionary Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ray Parlier.

11:25 Hymn — "Jesus Saves"

11:30 The Rev. Ernest Upchurch, Secretary, Development Dept., Raleigh, N. C. brought the sermon of the morning session. For this inspiring message, he used the subject "A Heart Call for World Missions," taking as his text: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, Judea and all Samaria and unto the utmost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Prayer closing the first session was led by the Rev. Geo. M. Reeves.

12:00 Recess for lunch

### Afternoon Session

1:30 Hymn — "Holy, Holy, Holy"

The Rev. Hayes McClure conducted the devotion.

1:40 The Sunday School report was given by Paul Swanson. Mr. Swanson moved the report be adopted. This was seconded by Geo. W. Shepherd.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School as a definite purpose of teaching the word of God to our people, with intelligent and scholarly comments in our Baptist prepared literature. A church school belongs to the church, with all extension helps possible furnished by our State Board - in the way of Baptist literature. It should be supported by the church, and should be under the control of the church but with all possible help from our Baptist publishers.

I would like to again recommend to all our adult teachers to use Broadman's comments, and all other Baptist literature offered by our publishers, otherwise we will not remain Baptists. We have this year nine active all year round Sunday schools in our Alleghany Association. I regret to say that two of our churches have dropped their Sunday schools and that another one is not using our Baptist literature. We now have a total average attendance of approximately 400 in the Alleghany Association.

I don't believe the attendance is good enough. We still need better transportation organization in order to bring those in who have or will not attend by their own transportation. The Lord has blessed us wonderfully in our County in material things this past year. In appreciation of these blessings we should place the Lord's work first in our lives.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Swanson

Mrs. Paul Swanson gave the report of the Baptist Training Union. A motion was made by Mrs. Swanson to adopt the report and this was seconded by Mrs. T. S. Moxley.

### **BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT**

The associational training union program now in the third year, is going forward with five churches taking an active lead in this field of labor in training.

The "M" night was held at the Sparta Church and was well attended with a fellowship hour at the close of the meeting. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the training union department.

Youth night was held at the New Hope - attendance of 53, three ministers and 8 visitors. This meeting was held in the community building with a fellowship hour following the service.

Out of the 11 churches 10 have taken part in this work.

The Alleghany Association was the first to have a full slate of officers in the training union this year - making us 100 per cent. Mr. James Morgan, State, Sec reported.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Paul Swanson, Assoc. Director

Vacation Bible School Report was read by Claude Roupe. The following report was adopted after motion and seconded by Mr. Roupe and Mrs. Van Miller.

### **THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT**

I am pleased to bring to you the report of our Vacation Bible School for the year. We believe we can see more marked improvement in this phase of our work here in the association, as we have a fair average of attendance in the churches with which conducted a Bible School this year. The average attendance of 38 is a small gain over the past year. I trust we will reach higher plains in this part of our work in the years ahead. We have a job to do as we realize our children need the training which we have available through our Southern Baptist Bible school material. We have, I believe, some of the best material available. Certainly, we need to instruct our boys and girls in our Baptist Doctrine and teach them the love of Christ for Humanity. May we bring our children up in the fear of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude S. Roupe

The Woman's Missionary Union report was presented by Mrs. Ross Richardson, the out-going president. After the report Mrs. Richardson introduced Mrs. Will Johnson as the new president. Mrs. Johnson gave words of inspiration and challenged us to do more for missions.

Paul Swanson moved the report be adopted. Mrs. George Shepherd seconded the motion.

### **W. M. U. REPORT**

As we come again to the report of that part of our associational work carried on by the Woman's Missionary Union, we confess that we have not measured up to our opportunities.



In the eleven churches there are only two with active W.M.U. organizations, Sparta with a full graded W.M.U., since a Y.W.A. has been organized during the year and Liberty with a W.M.S. But we, thank God for the faithful few and keep praying that other women and young people, in all the churches may join us and share in the joy of service through the missionary organizations, as we study, pray, give, and witness for our Lord.

In our annual meeting at Sparta church last May, Miss Marian Robinson, our State W.M.U. Secretary; Miss Pearl Todd, retired Missionary to China and Mrs. Earl C. James, Regional Supt. challenged us in their inspiring messages to take time to pray and witness for Christ wherever we are and at all times; that we may be better able to reach out to others. We are to begin at home and "The Bible is the handbook of missions and missionaries." It plainly teaches us that every Christian has a responsibility in his own community, state, country and out to all the world" stated Chester L. Quarles.

Our women and young people received special blessings as they observed the seasons of prayer for State, Home and Foreign Missions and made their offerings to these causes, which last year amounted to about \$450.00 from the approximately one hundred women and young people, twenty-five of them titheers.

Six of the G. A. girls from Sparta attended the Regional G. A. camp at Camp Butler near Roaring Gap last summer and reported wonderful experiences.

The following officers and chairmen were elected at the annual meeting in May and I trust you will feel free to call on any of them if they can assist in any way toward forming new organizations or strengthening old ones during the coming year.

Associational Supt.	Mrs. Will Johnson
Associate-Supt.	Mrs. R. E. Richardson
Secretary-Treas.	Mrs. Eugene Shepherd
Y. W. A. Director	Mrs. C. A. Reeves
G. A. Director	Mrs. Jimmy Mitchell
Sunbeam Director	Mrs. Jack Byrd
Prayer Chairman	Mrs. A. O. Joines
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Jack Edwards
Stewardship Chm.	Mrs. Ben G. Reeves
Community Missions Chm.	Mrs. Van Miller
Literature Chm.	Mrs. Odell Crouse
Margaret Fund Chm.	Mrs. Isom Wagoner
Pianist	Mrs. Hugh Choate

The next annual meeting is scheduled to be held at Liberty Church next May.

Let us continue to strive to be more consecrated "Laborers together with God" for "ye serve the Lord Christ."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

Baptist Publications report was presented by Mrs. Van Miller after which she made a motion for adoption. It was seconded by Mrs. Paul Swanson.



### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Baptist democracy has long depended largely on informed, enlightened people for progress. Informed people must be reading people. It is forever essential for Baptists to have a medium of communication for news and discussion. They must know what their fellow-Baptists are doing; the work of missions, evangelism, education and our wide program of Bible teaching, Christian training and benevolence.

Baptists must read in order to understand the magnitude and the glory of Baptist growth. They must know if they are to grow. Information about kingdom building brings greater inspiration for Christian action.

When our State convention was organized in 1830, its main purpose according to the Constitution, was "the promotions of missions, education, social service and the distribution of sound religious literature." Three years later the Biblical Recorder was founded and for 125 years it has been going into the homes of our Baptist people. It has a noble heritage to preserve, and a high mission to fulfill.

The Lord has blessed our Baptist work in N. C., in a marvelous way.

It is great in its purpose and inspiring in its opportunities. How can Baptists keep informed and inspired unless they take and read their State Baptist paper each week.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Van Miller.

No report was given on American Bible Society.

2:20 Hymn "My Hope Is Built"

2:25 The report on the Baptist Hospital was given by W. M. Hamm in place of C. E. Jones. Mr. Hamm moved the report be adopted. It was seconded by Van Miller.

### NORTH CAROLINA HOSPITAL REPORT FOR 1958

Our Baptist Hospital provides a well-rounded program of medical care and training under Christian guidance and influence. It serves our people when they are sick, and need specialized medical care which requires facilities beyond those available in their own communities. The hospital works in full cooperation with our local physicians. It offers a wide range of specialized training in the different fields of medicine and surgery, in nursing, and in various other fields of medical and pastoral care.

Last year the hospital provided bed care for 16,000 patients. There were 120,000 visits to the clinics and offices of the medical staff and chaplain service. Patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of the state. The services of the medical staff were given free to all veterans and the hospital spent more than half a million dollars in providing free care for them beyond that they were able to pay. A service patient pays what he can of the cost of this care to help make up the difference between what he can pay and the cost. The hospital has some assistance from welfare agencies and the Duke endowments for patients who can qualify but it must depend primarily upon the Mother Day offerings. This fund can be used only in

cases of real need and after the patient's family has paid what it can, and all other possible help has been exhausted.

Two factors are forcing the hospital to seek a largely increased Mother's Day support if it is to be able to continue such service to our sick. First, hospital costs everywhere have increased more than 30 per cent in the last five years. Second, as the number of North Carolina Baptists increases the demand for this service increases. Fortunately there has been an increase in the amount of Mother's Day offerings also these contributions have grown by 20 per cent in the last five years.

It is clear that only through greatly increased support by our churches can the hospital hope to continue to give the large volume of free service it has been giving to our people. We believe Baptists of North Carolina will provide the necessary funds if they realize the need. The response has been excellent all over the state in the past.

The most recent achievement of new equipment is the cabalt machines. They give the doctors a new weapon against deep seated cancer. Let us hope the Association will keep increasing their Mother's Day offering.

Submitted by Rev. Willie Hamm.

Dr. W. K. McGee spoke after the report. All the churches of the Association contributed to the hospital through the Mother's Day offering. Three churches gave the same amount as last year. Eight churches increased their offerings.

2:40 The report on Christian Education was sent by H. E. Singletary who could not attend. The report was adopted without reading, and the time was given to Lawson Allen, Gardner-Webb College and M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College to speak on Christian Education.

3:00 The report on the homes for the aging was moved to this time. Van Miller asked that the report be adopted without reading and the time be given to Rev. J. M. Hayes, Supt. Homes for Aging. This was seconded by Paul Swanson.

### NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The Homes For Aging are now in their eighth year of operation — Resthaven opened March 16, 1951; the Albemarle Home, December 7, 1953; and the Administration Building, Winston-Salem, June 13, 1957. The three homes have facilities for 119 — counting residents and helpers. The average number of residents will exceed 100.

Efforts were launched in June to raise \$100,000 to match a gift of Mr. Don G. Matthews, Sr., of \$50,000 and land on which to build a fourth Home For The Aging to be located at Hamilton, Martin County. It is expected that the campaign will be successfully completed this year, and the construction of the new home will then begin. This home will provide facilities for approximately forty residents, giving a total capacity for all three homes of 150 persons.

The homes have had a good year financially. The auditors' report for the year ending September 30, 1957 showed that the income was \$262,924.53. When the new Administration

Building was ready for occupancy, \$103,000 was borrowed to finish paying for construction and equipment. All of this has been repaid except \$20,000. Funds received from the Special Day Offering and the Cooperative Program have helped to meet the current cost of operation. The homes have also received help from individual and corporation gifts. The largest individual gift for the year was \$40,000.

A large number of the residents have been aided financially. Less than ten per cent of the residents have given to the homes assets sufficient to pay their cost of keep for life. Thirteen residents have paid the monthly rate, which is less than the actual cost to the homes. Most of the residents are paying one-third to one-half of their cost of keep. This means, therefore, that the difference in cost is taken from funds received from denominational channels and special gifts by individuals and corporations.

Our program of ministering to the aging presents a great challenge to the 850,000 Baptists of our state. We think, first, of the ever-increasing number of aging friends needing larger dormitory facilities; and, secondly, of doubling the capacity of our infirmary in the Administration Building. It now accommodates fifteen patients, but we should have space for at least thirty. It is estimated that elderly people will become invalids at the rate of ten per cent annually. There have been times when we did not have sufficient room for those who needed to be in the infirmary. Our aging friends must look to our Baptist constituency to meet these pressing needs.

With gratitude to all who have made our present homes possible — churches, individuals and corporations — and with confidence that the Baptists of North Carolina will continue to care for these "old soldiers" of Christ in a deserving way, we look to the future with great hope.

Respectfully submitted,  
Van Miller.

Mr. Hayes gave an interesting account of the homes and their activities — stating the work was seven years old and 100 elderly people are being cared for in the homes.

3:20 Audio-Visual Education report was given by James Church who moved the adoption of the report. Paul Swanson seconded the motion.

### **AUDIO-VISUAL EDUCATION IN OUR CHURCH**

Many of us never think of the various ways in which we use audio-visual materials in teaching about Christ and Christian doctrine. We use pictures, diagrams on blackboards, charts and many other materials that we can see and hear which magnifies and glorifies the work of Christ.

A very true saying in education is "A picture is worth a thousand words." We need to take advantage of all the material available in Sunday School, Vacation Bible school and youth organizations to impress more thoroughly on the minds of both saved and unsaved, the importance of Christian living.

It is a relatively easy job to get most of these materials to use in the church organizations. There are many sources of

these materials for free or just a small cost. Some of the most effective materials are recordings, film-strips and audio-films. These of course need financial assistance but their great aid in helping put across the Christian teaching minimizes this obstacle.

Let us endeavor to use more of these effective means of teaching in our Association.

Respectfully submitted,  
James W. Church.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Baptists of North Carolina have seven of the finest colleges to be found anywhere. They embody seven marks of a Christian school.

1. Christian ownership — ownership belongs to the Baptist of North Carolina.

2. Christian administration — Christian men and women are elected as trustees and select Christian administrators.

3. Christian faculty — More than 400 competent Christian men and women are employed as teachers

4. Christian students — Most of the students are already Christians. Those who are not are readily helped educationally and personally.

5. Christian Ideals — Christian education translates total knowledge into service to God and mankind.

6. Christian teaching — The basic interpretation that flows from Christian truths enhances every subject taught.

7. Christian service — Men and women graduate from our seven colleges each year. Some are preachers, teachers, missionaries, doctors, housewives, business and professional people who serve mankind over a wide area.

Enrollment last year in our Baptist Colleges was 1-8 of all students in North Carolina's 61 colleges — or 7,634. This is a substantial increase over any previous year. Rooms are not available to take care of Baptist boys and girls who desire to gain a Christian education.

Alleghany Association is proud to report that 4 young men and 4 young women are now enrolled in Baptist colleges of North Carolina.

We should be very happy to have a part in making these colleges available to the young people of our state.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. E. Singletary.

No report was given on Evangelism and no report was sent for the minutes.

#### 3:25 Reports of Committees:

Time, Place and Preacher — Paul Swanson, Chairman

Time — Sept. 11, 12, 1959

Place — Pine Fork Church

Preacher — The Rev. Guy Cain — Alternate — The Rev. L. G. Sherwood

The Rev. Jack Byrd made a motion that the time of the Annual Meeting be changed to meet on Friday and Saturday

before the second Sunday in September. The motion was seconded by Geo. M. Reeves.

The motion carried with 15 votes for change — and 7 votes against.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Van F. Miller, Chairman

Moderator .....	Jack W. Byrd
Vice-Moderator .....	Van F. Miller
Clerk-Treasurer .....	Mrs. T. S. Moxley
Vice Clerk-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Gene R. Irwin
Auditor .....	A. O. Joines
Historian .....	Mr. John M. Cheek
Pianist .....	Mrs. Annie Porter
Chorister .....	F. W. Royal

The adoption of the report was moved by Paul Swanson and seconded by James Church. The report was adopted.

A motion for adjournment was made by Paul Swanson and seconded by L. G. Sherwood.

### Sunday Session

Sept. 14, 1958

- 10:00 The Sunday session of the Alleghany Baptist Association was presided over by the Vice-Moderator, Jack W. Byrd.  
Hymn "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."  
Devotion — The Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, pastor of Belview used II Cor. 5: 10 for the scripture followed by prayer.
- 10:15 The following visitors were recognized:  
Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer, Chapel Hill, N. C.  
Rev. R. M. Haus, Allied Church League  
Rev. and Mrs. Grady Burgiss and son, Samuel, Elkin, N. C.  
Rev. Burgiss is Missionary in Yadkin Association.
- 10:20 Report on Temperance was read by A. O. Joines in the absence of Rev. Chas. Freeman. Mr. Joines moved the adoption of the report. W. C. Evans seconded the motion.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Pro. 20:1

Proverbs 23:29-30 we read, "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine: they that go to seek mixed wine."

Beverage alcohol has become one of our nation's greatest problems. with more than seven million excessive drinkers in the United States. The question should be to every Christian, "In what way can we help battle this great evil and enlighten the public as to the dangers of alcoholic beverage?"

The allied church league in 1955 adopted a new constitu-



tion for the purpose of furthering the cause of civic and social righteousness.

"As follows—

1. To unite all who believe in total abstinence in a co-operative effort against beverage alcohol in its every form.

2. To provide an efficient agency through which all evangelical churches can work in opposing beverage alcohol and promoting civic righteousness.

3. To work for good government by seeking to elect men of highest character to public office and by encouraging the making of laws that will further civic and social righteousness.

4. To enlighten the public and educate youth concerning the dangers of beverage alcohol and allied social evils.

5. To promote programs for the rehabilitation of the victims of alcoholic beverages, such programs to be in keeping with the other purposes stated above.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles Freeman.

The Rev. R. M. Haus gave a challenging message on Temperance — following the report.

10:45 In the absence of Mrs. W. B. Estep, Mrs. A. O. Joines read the report for the Baptist Children's Homes. Mrs. Joines moved the report be accepted and W. C. Evans seconded the motion.

### ORPHANAGE REPORT

June 30, 1958 marked the culmination of 15 years of progressive leadership by W. C. Reed with the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Under his supervision the Children's Homes experienced one of their greatest periods of building, growth, and expansion of services. At present, North Carolina Baptists probably provide more services for dependent children than any other similar group in America. Those associated with our child care program have, in the 73 years of its history, developed a program which is recognized as one of the best in the nation.

Dr. W. R. Wagoner, of North Wilkesboro, was elected by the trustees to succeed Mr. Reed. Dr. Wagoner assumed his duties July 1.

The year 1957-58 has been a fruitful one in expanding services. Since October 1, 1957, North Carolina Baptists have directly served a grand total of 753 children. In addition to these, our social workers have been able to place with relatives or other agencies more than 200 children where their needs are now being met. Each application has been investigated by our case workers. During the past year we were able to admit about one-fourth of the applicants as compared with one-fifth admitted in 1956. Through the dedicated resourcefulness of our social workers, many homes were re-established while others were saved from breaking.

North Carolina Baptists have two sources for supporting the Children's Homes: Source number 1 is a combination of the Once-A-Month Offering and the Cooperative Program.



Through this plan the Homes receive a fixed amount. This cannot be increased or decreased except by vote of the Convention. Source number 2 is the Thanksgiving Offering. Every dollar marked "Thanksgiving Offering" comes to the Children's Homes. Last year we asked for an increase of 10 per cent in the Thanksgiving Offering. The churches responded with a 15 per cent increase. This increase of \$31,000 enabled us to support the Indian work at Pembroke and at the same time to considerably expand the Foster Home Program. We have confidence that North Carolina Baptists will continue to remember deserving children at Thanksgiving.

During the coming year a cottage will be erected at Mills Home for boys and a cottage at Kennedy Home for girls. These new buildings are being made possible by special gifts and bequests.

Serious consideration must be given in the near future to more adequate care for the children whose emotional stability has been seriously damaged. North Carolina Baptists have the potential resources with which to meet this growing need.

A bundle of Charity and Children should go into every Baptist church in the state. If your church is not receiving this attractive and informative paper each week, please write Editor Marse Grant at Thomasville immediately and begin a club in your church. All pastors and Sunday School superintendents will receive complimentary copies if they will send their names to the editor.

Most important of all, remember to pray for the children being served by our children's Homes. Some carry heavy burdens which can be lightened with your prayers and material support. The administration and staff members also appreciate every expression of your love and concern for this Christ-ordained ministry.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. W. B. Estep.

Dr. I. G. Greer brought an inspirational message, "Christians accepting the Challenge of Christ" using John 14:12 as his text. He urged Christians to help develop in the youth of the country the God-given gifts each child has.

11:15 A motion was made by the Rev. Geo. M. Reeves to rescind the motion of yesterday and that the work of the Association be condensed to one full day. This day to be Saturday before the second Sunday in September. The following took part in the discussion: Bill Shiflett, Paul Swanson, Mrs. Alice Reeves, The Rev. Audley Frazier and Ernest Minnich. In voting, the motion was defeated. The motion of yesterday stands as recorded.

11:30 Report of Resolutions Committee. L. G. Sherwood, Chairman.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Resolutions Committee expresses deep appreciation:

1. To the members of Scottville Baptist Church for their very fine hospitality extended to us so graciously in every way.

2. For our moderator, Mr. Ernest Minnich and all others who helped in planning our program, for visiting ministers and State workers who brought inspirational and informative messages to us.

3. The Committee recommends — 1st. That all our churches take more interest in promoting the different phases of our young peoples work since they will be our leaders of tomorrow. 2nd. We wish to extend our sincere gratitude to Rev. Audley Frazier, our associational missionary for his untiring efforts in promoting the work spiritually and materially in our association. 3rd. Greater emphasis be placed on reading and studying the cooperative program and give according to God's plan. 4th. May we ask, and wait always, for divine guidance in problems confronting our progress in church and associational work.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. G. Sherwood,  
Huston Wyatt,  
Mrs. Van Miller.

Hymn. "The Kingdom Is Coming"

11:35 The Rev. Grady Burgiss brought an inspirational message entitled "God's Call for our Day." He used Isaiah 6 for his scriptural background.

Hymn "O Zion Haste"

Closing Prayer — The Rev. L. G. Sherwood.

## IN MEMORIAM

LIBERTY — E. E. Caudill

MT. CARMEL — J. F. Royal

NEW HOPE — Mrs. Hoyt G. Black

PINE FORK — Quincey Caudill

SPARTA — Mrs. Grayson Lucas, Mrs. Della Cornett,

Robert W. Thompson

### TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location, Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Local Missions Ope. by Ch	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Belview .....	R	1909	1	Geo. M. Reeves, West Jefferson, N. C.	0	0	0	3717	54	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	170.00
Chestnut Grove ..	R	1887	1	Garnett Smith, Ennice, N. C.	0	2	0	2418	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	178.00
Laurel Springs ..	R	1891	4	L. G. Sherwood, Fleetwood, N. C.	1	2	0	4726	73	1	4	Yes	No	Yes	No	0	1,250.00
Liberty .....	R	1881	2	Chas. R. Freeman, State Road, N. C.	2	5	1	3822	60	1	2	No	Yes	No	No	0	498.00
Mt. Carmel .....	R	1884	1	Everette Shaw, Glade Valley, N. C.	14	7	3	6054	114	1	0	No	No	No	No	0	300.00
New Hope .....	R	1881	2	Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	5	1915	34	1	0	No	No	No	No	0	50.00
New River .....	R	1939	2	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	0	0	3	2557	82	1	0	No	No	No	No	0	856.00
Osborne Mem. ....	R	1943	4	Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs, N. C.	3	2	0	7530	105	1	1	No	No	No	No	0	207.00
Pine Fork .....	R	1898	2	Immy Bryant, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	0	0	2	6813	81	2	0	No	No	No	No	0	183.00
Scottville .....	R	1925	1	Brady Farmer, Piney Creek, N. C.	0	2	1	4130	71	1	0	No	No	No	No	0	183.00
Sparta .....	T	1886	4	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	6	4	9	16972	241	1	22	Yes	No	No	No	0	3,829.00

TABLE C — BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	CHRM. ROYAL AMBASSADOR CO. AND ADDRESSES	Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Young Men's Brotherhood En.	Total Men	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrollment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Total R. A. Enrollment	Grand Total Enrollment
Sparta .....	Dean Richardson, Sparta .....	Willburn Goodman, Sparta ..	15	0	15	0	0	1	8	8	23

TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
		1	0	0	0	1 12	0	0	0	0	0	2
Liberty .....	Mrs. W. B. Estep, Whitehead, N. C.	1	0	0	0	1 12	0	0	0	0	0	2
Sparta ..	Mrs. Ross Richardson, Whitehead, N. C.	3	1	2	1	7 39	27	27	27	27	66	17

TABLE E — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Vacation Bible School En.	Average Attendance V. B. S.	January Bible Study
Belview .....	Geo. W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs ..	0	0	10	0	0	0	12	0	0	22	0	4	0	44	19	0	0	0	No
Chestnut Grove ..	George Taylor, Whitehead .....	0	1	1	6	5	4	5	0	0	16	4	5	0	47	22	1	65	58	Yes
Laurel Springs ..	Van F. Miller, Laurel Springs ..	0	0	0	4	4	6	4	0	5	10	0	5	0	38	20	0	39	32	Yes
Liberty .....	Pearl Benge, Whitehead .....	0	0	0	4	4	6	4	0	5	10	0	4	0	75	36	0	0	0	No
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley .....	0	0	10	14	0	0	20	4	0	23	0	4	0	32	20	0	64	42	No
New Hope .....	Paul Swanson, Laurel Springs ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	No
New River .....	Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va., Rt. 1 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	64	0	42	35	No
Osborne Mem. ....	Ernest C. Minnich, Piney Creek ....	0	0	14	10	10	6	14	6	15	25	0	5	0	56	31	0	22	18	Yes
Pine Fork .....	Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs ....	0	0	0	5	5	6	10	0	5	15	0	5	0	40	20	0	25	15	No
Scottville .....	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville .....	0	0	0	8	8	5	0	0	0	12	0	5	0	40	20	0	25	15	No
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta .....	0	15	22	32	36	30	18	0	80	0	0	7	0	240	109	0	62	55	Yes

TABLE F — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Mission Enrollment	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	No. Training Schools	Observe Youth Week?
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Laurel Springs	Mrs. E. W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	12	2	0	27	17	1	Yes
Pine Fork	Claude S. Roupe, Laurel Springs	0	0	3	3	0	1	2	0	6	2	0	17	10	0	No
Sparta	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta	0	0	0	15	10	5	0	0	0	4	0	30	20	0	No



TABLE H AND I — TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries	Maintenance, Ins., Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Belview .....	C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs .....	\$ 321	0	0	0	\$ 48	0	\$ 45	0	\$ 22	\$ 106	\$ 170	\$ 276
Chestnut Grove .....	George Taylor, Whitehead .....	235	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	220	0	220
Laurel Springs .....	Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Laurel Springs .....	2,203	0	124	0	56	28	60	0	200	468	1,250	1,718
Liberty .....	Mrs. Ray E. Caudill, Whitehead .....	1,839	0	167	0	51	5	23	0	0	247	1,435	1,680
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley .....	668	0	27	0	44	140	60	250	46	567	0	567
New River .....	C. G. Pollard, Sparta .....	228	0	0	0	0	0	48	100	12	160	50	210
New Hope .....	Mrs. Dan Jones, Scottville .....	300	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	40	68	193	216
Osborne Mem. ....	Mrs. Bays Parsons, Sparta .....	1,761	0	477	0	63	40	155	0	0	735	856	1,591
Pine Fork .....	Posie Pruitt, Laurel Springs .....	738	0	80	0	48	0	68	0	283	479	207	686
Scottville .....	James Church, Scottville .....	308	0	25	0	28	0	17	0	25	95	188	283
Sparta .....	Ralph E. Evans .....	\$10,937	265	406	202	\$437	0	\$150	0	\$834	\$2,294	\$3,829	\$6,123

TABLE J AND K — MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational or District	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Children's Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Belview .....	C. E. Jones, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	0	32	0	27	0	0	3	15	0	45	321
Chestnut Grove .....	Mrs. Lena Edwards, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	15	235
Laurel Springs .....	Mrs. Van Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	40	250	0	0	17	23	86	49	20	484	2,203
Liberty .....	Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Whitehead, N. C. ....	24	50	17	5	12	18	15	18	0	159	1,839
Mt. Carmel .....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C. ....	0	0	0	0	0	22	50	16	88	88	655
New Hope .....	D. V. Jones, Scottville, N. C. ....	0	50	13	0	0	0	10	16	4	94	287
New River .....	Robert L. Reeves, Galax, Va. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	18	228
Osborne Memorial .....	Jim Leff Osborne, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	20	50	1,641
Pine Fork .....	Johnnie Bryant, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	8	0	0	0	0	0	19	19	6	52	738
Scottville .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	0	25	308
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta, N. C. ....	315	325	98	81	226	10	40	54	270	1,419	10,545

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHFR	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Chcek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton

1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton
6. 1902, Sep. 11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7. 1903, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8. 1904, Sep. 8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9. 1905, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10. 1906, Sep. 7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11. 1907, Sep. 6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12. 1908, Sep. 10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13. 1909, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14. 1910, Sep. 9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15. 1911, Sep. 8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16. 1912, Sep. 6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17. 1913, Sep. 12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18. 1914, Sep. 11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	W. F. Doughton
19. 1915, Sep. 10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	B. E. Reeves
20. 1916, Sep. 8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. T. Caudill	G. T. Caudill
21. 1917, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22. 1918, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23. 1919, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24. 1920, Sep. 10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25. 1921, Sep. 9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26. 1922, Sep. 8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddy	John M. Cheek
27. 1923, Sep. 7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28. 1924, Sep. 12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	I. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29. 1925, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	I. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek

30.	1926,	Sep.	10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927,	Sep.	9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	J. T. Fender
32.	1928,	Sep.	7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929,	Sep.	6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930,	Sep.	12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner
35.	1931,	Sep.	11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36.	1932,	Sep.	9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	T. M. Hayes	M. E. Reeves
37.	1933,	Sep.	8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
38.	1934,	Sep.	7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	T. R. Burgess
39.	1935,	Sep.	6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	F. W. Royal
40.	1936,	Sep.	12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
41.	1937,	Sep.	10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
42.	1938,	Sep.	9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
43.	1939,	Sep.	8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
44.	1940,	Sep.	6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
45.	1941,	Sep.	12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
46.	1942,	Sep.	12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
47.	1943,	Sep.	11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
48.	1944,	Sep.	9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
49.	1945,	Sep.	8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
50.	1946,	Sep.	7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
51.	1947,	Sep.	13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
52.	1948,	Sep.	11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
53.	1949,	Sep.	10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
54.	1950,	Sep.	9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
55.	1951,	Sep.	8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
56.	1952,	Sep.	13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	E. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton
57.	1953,	Sep.	12-13	Bellview	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	H. J. Ford	W. F. Doughton
58.	1954,	Sep.	11-12	Sparta	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
59.	1955,	Sep.	10-11	Mt. Carmel	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	R. R. Campbell	A. O. Joines
60.	1956,	Sep.	8-9	Liberty	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	Audley Fraizer	A. O. Joines
61.	1957,	Sep.	14-15	Osborne Mem.	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
62.	1958,	Sep.	7-8	Scottville	E. C. Minnich	Mrs. T. S. Moxley	Earnest Upchurch	A. O. Joines

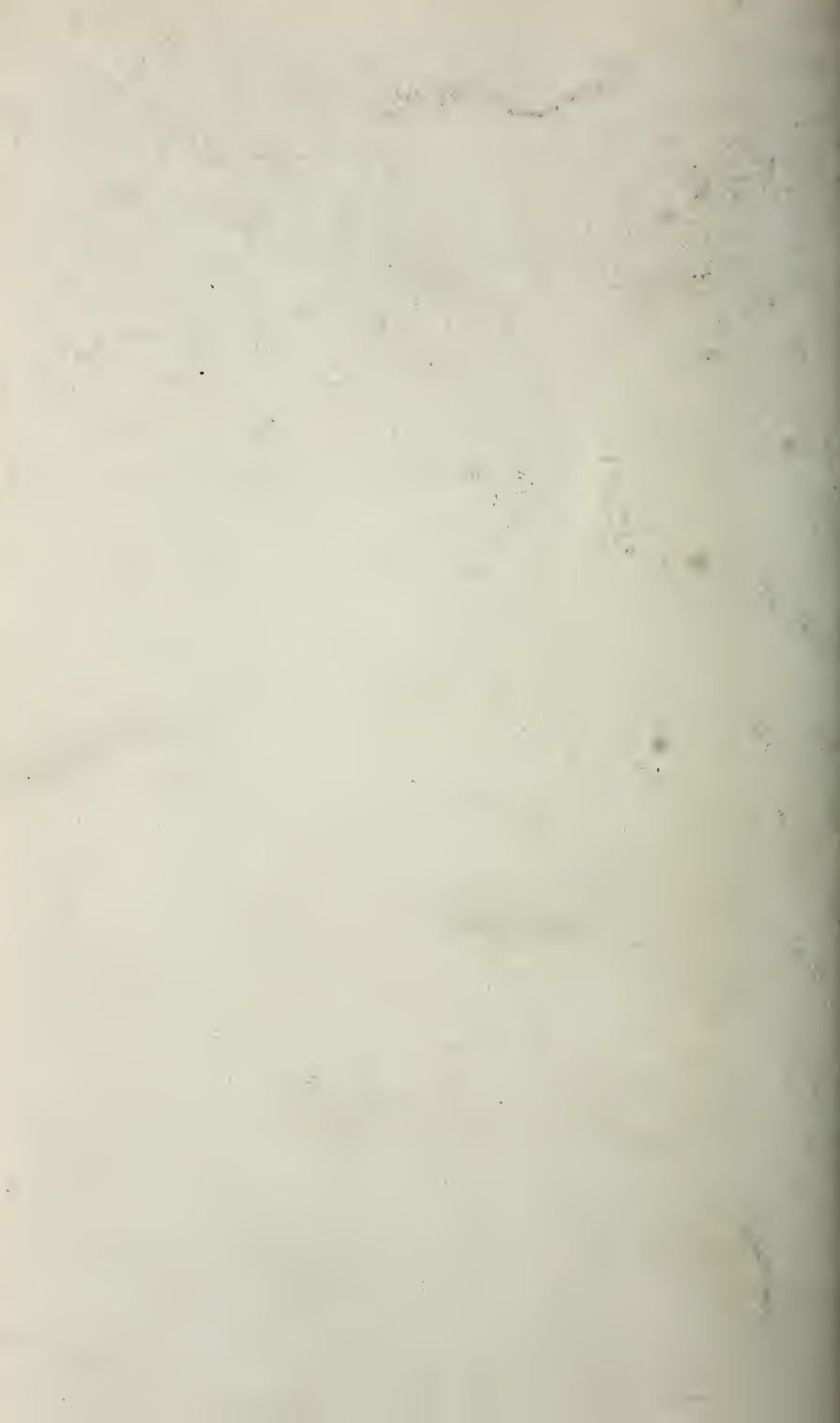












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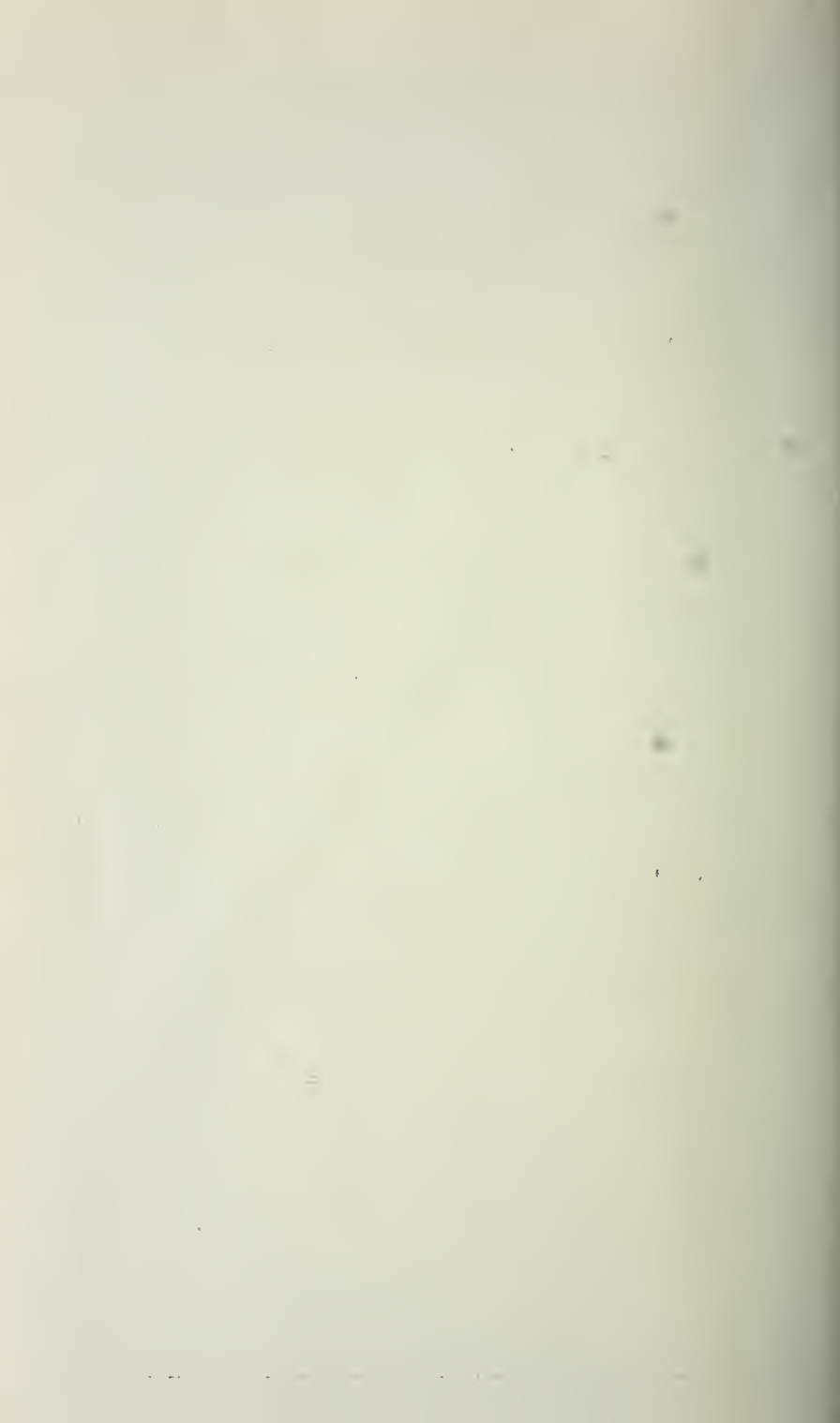
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Moderator — Van F. Miller .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Vice-Mod. — Rev. Jack W. Byrd .....	Sparta, N. C.
Clerk-Treas. — Mrs. T. S. Moxley .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Vice Clerk-Treas. — Mrs. Gene R. Irwin .....	Sparta, N. C.
Auditor — Ben G. Reeves .....	Sparta, N. C.
Historian — John M. Cheek .....	Sparta, N. C.
Pianist — Mrs. Arthur Neff .....	Whitehead, N. C.
Chorister — Bill Shiflett .....	Sparta, N. C.
Associational Missionary — Rev. A. B. Frazier	
	West Jefferson, N. C.
Supt. Sunday Schools—T. S. Moxley ....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Supt. B. T. U. — Claude S. Roupe .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
W. M. U. Pres. — Mrs. Will Johnson .....	Sparta, N. C.
Brotherhood Pres. — Dean Richardson .....	Sparta, N. C.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Van F. Miller, Chairman .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Clerk .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
George W. Shepherd .....	Belview Church
Mrs. A. O. Joines .....	Liberty Church
Eugene W. Shepherd .....	Laurel Springs Church
Hardin Spicer .....	Mount Carmel Church
George W. Taylor .....	Chestnut Grove Church
Miss Donna Jones .....	New Hope Church
Oscar Shumate .....	New River Church
Ernest C. Minnich .....	Osborne Memorial Church
Robert Hoppers .....	Pine Fork Church
W. F. Shepherd .....	Scottville Church
Ben G. Reeves .....	Sparta Church

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN — 1960**

Baptist Publications .....	Mrs. E. W. Shepherd
Christian Education .....	Mrs. Paul Swanson
Hospital .....	H. E. Singletary
Orphanage .....	James D. McKnight
Temperance .....	Rev. A. E. Sells
Missions — State, Home and Foreign .....	Mrs. A. O. Joines
Evangelism .....	Rev. Hayes McClure
Woman's Missionary Union .....	Mrs. Will Johnson
Sunday Schools .....	Thomas S. Moxley
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Audio-Visual Education .....	Miss Donna Jones
American Bible Society .....	E. C. Minnich
Brotherhood .....	Dean Richardson

**MESSENGERS 1959**

- Belview — C. E. Jones, Roy Church, Dempsey Blevins.  
 Chestnut Grove — George Taylor, Cora Taylor and Bertha Edwards.  
 Laurel Springs — E. W. Shepherd, Robert Joines, Van F. Miller and Mrs. M. E. Reeves.  
 Liberty — Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Mrs. Arthur Neff, Mrs. Ruth C. Edwards and Mrs. O. F. Stewart, Sr.  
 Mount Carmel — Paul Woodruff, Sherman Caudill, Mack D. Osborne, James D. McKnight, A. C. Caudill.  
 New Hope — Paul Swanson, Frank Roupe and Houston Wyatt.  
 Osborne Memorial — Ray Parlier, Clement Osborne, Herbert Osborne, Bays Parsons and Jessie Mack Osborne.  
 Pine Fork — Major Mabe, Posie Pruitt, Claude Roupe and Everette Taylor.  
 Scottville — W. F. Shepherd, Joe Lovelace and Eugene Billings.  
 Sparta — Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shiflett, Mrs. Will Johnson, H. E. Singletary and Mrs. Clennel Richardson.

## RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. Jack W. Byrd .....	Sparta, N.C.
Rev. Brady Farmer .....	Sparta, N.C.
Rev. Hayes McClure .....	Laurel Springs, N.C.
Rev. A. E. Sells .....	Laurel Springs, N.C.
Rev. Everett Shaw .....	Glade Valley, N.C.
Rev. Garnett Smith .....	Ennice, N.C.
Rev. Joe Lovelace .....	Sparta, N.C.
Rev. Bill Shiflett .....	Sparta, N.C.
Rev. Howard Crouse .....	Glade Valley, N.C.
Rev. Willie Hamm .....	Laurel Springs, N.C.

## NON-RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. Thurman Ratliff .....	North Wilkesboro, N.C.
Rev. Lee M. Woodruff .....	Salem, Va.
Rev. Jessie W. Davis .....	Galax, Va.
Rev. John Edwards .....	Independence, Va.

## CONSTITUTION

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

## MEMBERSHIP

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

## OBJECTS

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

## POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Associations shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers; Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W.M.U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with



the pastor of each church, which members shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a small Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report

at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sunday School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association and interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specified authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### **ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES**

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head — the Father the Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible - the Old and New Testament - is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the

Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perservance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgement.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
C. J. Woodson,  
E. L. Tucker,  
I. W. Thomas,  
J. E. Fletcher, Committee.

### **RULES OF ORDER**

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethern invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice" preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS  
SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION OF  
ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**SEPTEMBER 11 - 12, 1959**

**THEME:** "Laborers Together with God" 1 Cor. 3:9

**FRIDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 11, 1959**

- 10:00 Hymn — "To the Work"  
Scripture and Prayer ..... The Rev. Thurmon Ratliff
- 10:15 Organization and Business  
1. Seating of messengers — roll call  
2. Reception of Visitors and New Pastors
- 10:30 Report of Executive Committee ..... Van F. Miller  
Report of Treasurer ..... Mrs. T. S. Moxley  
Report of Associational Missionary  
Rev. A. B. Frazier
- 11:00 Special Music
- 11:05 Appointment of Committees
- 11:10 Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions  
Mrs. Clement Osborne
- 11:30 Associational Sermon ..... Rev. Guy Cain
- 12:00 Recess for Lunch

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON — SEPT. 11, 1959**

- 1:00 Hymn — "Work for the Night is Coming"  
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Hayes McClure
- 1:10 Sunday School Report ..... T. S. Moxley  
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Bill Shiflett  
Training Union ..... Claude S. Roupe  
Woman's Missionary Union Report, Mrs. Will Johnson  
Baptist Publications ..... Mrs. A. O. Joines  
American Bible Society ..... E. C. Minnich
- 2:05 Music
- 2:10 Baptist Hospital Report ..... H. E. Singletary
- 2:25 Report on Christian Education .... Mrs. Ben G. Reeves
- 2:45 Report on Audio-Visual Educ. .... Miss Donna Jones
- 3:00 Evangelism ..... Rev. Hayes McClure

- 3:30 Report of Committees and Election of Officers  
Adjourn.

**SATURDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 12, 1959**

- 10:00 Hymn — “Jesus Calls Us”  
Scripture and Prayer ..... The Rev. Charles Freeman
- 10:15 Recognition of Visitors
- 10:20 Memorial Service ..... Isom W. Wagoner
- 10:25 Report on Temperance ..... Rev. A. K. Taylor
- 10:45 Report on Home for Aging .... Mrs. George Shepherd
- 11:00 Report on Baptist Children’s Homes, Mrs. Van Miller
- 11:20 Music
- 11:25 Inspirational Message ..... Rev. Vernon Sparrow
- Adjourn



# Proceedings

## SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEPT. 11, 12, 1959

### MORNING SESSION

- 10:00 Hymn — "To The Work"  
The devotion was conducted by Bill Shiflett. John 3:14-15 and John 12: 32-36 were used as the scripture readings, followed by prayer. The Rev. Thurmon Ratliff was not present to take this place on the program.
- 10:15 Moderator Jack W. Byrd asked the Clerk for the roll call of Churches. All churches in the Association had messengers present except Chestnut Grove and New River. Visitors at the meeting were the Rev. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College, the Rev. Guy Cain, Northwestern District Missionary, Mr. and Mrs. Rex West, Three Forks Association, representing Fruitland Institute, the Rev. Harrison M. Winkler, Ashe Assn. and D. C. Severt, Ashe Association. Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Sells were recognized. Mr. Sells is the pastor of Laurel Springs church. Also, Mr. Bill Shiflett, licensed to preach by Sparta Church, was recognized.
- 10:30 Report of the Executive Committee was given by Chairman Van F. Miller. Mr. Miller moved that the report be adopted as given. Robert Hoppers seconded the move to adopt the report which follows:

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Since our last Association the Executive Committee has had three called meetings. The first was held before the passing of Brother A. O. Joines, a most capable chairman.

The second meeting was called by the Moderator, at which time a new chairman for the committee was named.

We are profoundly grateful for the splendid work that

is being done by Rev. Audley B. Frazier, our Associational Missionary.

We urge all churches and pastors to co-operate in the objects of our denomination.

We commend the members of the New Hope and Sparta churches for the work that has been done on their new buildings.

Respectfully,

Van F. Miller, Chairman

Report on Associational Missions was given by Rev. Audley B. Frazier. He moved the adoption of the report and Mrs. A. O. Joines seconded the motion. The following report was adopted:

### **ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY'S REPORT**

**Sept. 1, 1958 - Sept. 1, 1959**

#### **Type of work done in the churches:**

- Sermons preached — 11
- Sunday School Classes taught — 2
- Sunday School Study courses taught — 4
- Vacation Bible Schools taught — 1
- Vacation Bible Schools promoted — 4
- Mission Study Books taught — 1
- Visual aids presented — 4

#### **Associational Promotional efforts:**

- Training union "M" night, Osborne Memorial — 1
- Baptist Youth Night, Pine Fork — 1
- Mission Clinics, Sparta — 2
- Vacation Bible School Clinic, Laurel Springs — 1
- Simultaneous Revival Crusade — 1

#### **Other efforts used to promote the work:**

- Preachers' school, West Jefferson Baptist church — 5
- Seminary Extension Center, West Jefferson, help promote and taught two classes.

Conferences: Individual, 527; Group, 33; Committee, 22  
Mail send out:

Letters — 508

Cards — 309

Reports — 60

Other — 9

Calendar of activities prepared and distributed — 247

Miles traveled in promotion of the work:

Personal car 17,334

Other means 2,000

Total 19,334

Work done and meetings attended outside the Association:  
Wilmington Associational Training Union Enlargement  
Campaign, 6 days

Associational Missionaries' Conference, Durham, 1

Baptist State Convention — Durham, 3

State Vacation Bible School Clinic — Fruitland, 3

Hospital Representatives meeting, Winston-Salem, 1

Special Baptist State Convention — Raleigh, 2

Southern Baptist Convention — Louisville, Ky., 4

Associational Missionaries' Conference, Caswell Baptist  
Assembly, Southport, N. C., 4

Respectively submitted,

Audley B. Frazier

Missionary—Ashe—Alleghany Assoc.

The treasurer's report was deferred until afternoon.

11:00 Special Music—"How Great Thou Art"—Bill Shiflett

11:05 Appointment of committees. The Moderator appointed  
the following:

Committee on time, place and preacher: Johnnie  
Bryant, Chairman; Mrs. C. A. Reeves and Her-  
bert Osborne.

Nominating committee: Mrs. A. O. Joines, Chairman;  
Clennel Richardson and Mrs. Eugene Shepherd.

Committee on Resolutions: W. F. Shepherd, Chair-  
man; Frank Roupe and Mrs. E. C. Minnich.

11:10 Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions was given by Mrs. Clement Osborne. There was a motion and a second for the adoption of this report.

### **REPORT ON STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS**

Jesus said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and, Lo. I am with you always, even to the end of the world." Matt. 28: 19-20.

As Southern Baptist we believe in winning the world to Christ, at home and to the "uttermost part of the earth." This can be made possible by your prayers, and gifts to your State Missions. We have twenty ministries of State Missions to reach and train our people. Sources of support whereby these twenty ministries of State Missions can function effectively and fruitfully in all areas of the State are namely, Cooperative program, Sunday School Board, Home Mission Board and this special State Missions Offering. We will need \$186,000 in this special offering to meet our needs of State Missions. The State mission program under the leadership of Dr. E. L. Spivey in North Carolina, ministers in four broad areas. First, teaching the word of God and reaching the lost. This includes Sunday schools, Vacation Bible schools, evangelism, and brotherhood. Second, training the church members for Christian living, giving and service. This takes in training union, Baptist Student union, Dept. of church music, Royal Ambassadors, summer assemblies and rural church work. Third, assisting and service to pastors and churches which includes — pastoral support lots for new churches, church planning, preachers and Fruitland Bible institute. Fourth, care, concern and conservation. This includes sanatorium ministry, Baptist history, student loan fund, silent people and those of other races.

As we look at home missions, this work is under the leadership of Dr. C. Redford with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga. We now have approximately 1574 missionaries serving under the Home Mission Board. Many people are reached

through more than 68 City missions programs. A special program is planned to reach the language groups in our country. Over fifteen million language people live in this country of which five per cent have been evangelized. We have an opportunity to reach other countries through training, guidance and encouragement for the veteran missionaries. This is your responsibility because they go to the fields for you.

Southern Baptist other field of missions is our Foreign Mission work. This method carries the message of Christ to the "uttermost part of the world". This work is under the direction of Dr. Baker James Couthen, with headquarters at Richmond, Va. We minister as Southern Baptists in thirty-nine countries of the world. The total number of missionaries under appointment including July 19, 1959 appointment — 1355. Each church needs to be a vital supporting base for world missions. The cost of carrying on the Foreign mission board program during the year 1958 was \$30.10 per minute. May each of us as southern baptist do our part through prayer and giving and "God shall Bless our efforts."

Respectively submitted,  
Mrs. Clement Osborne.

The Rev. Rex West spoke on the report using II Tim. 2: 15 as a scripture for his message. The Rev. Guy Cain was introduced by the moderator and spoke on State Missions. 11:30 Hymn — "Blessed Assurance"

The Rev. Rexford Campbell, pastor of First Baptist Church, West Jefferson, N. C. was recognized at this time. 11:35 Associational sermon by Rev. Guy Cain.

Scripture: Matt. 9:36-38. Subject: "The World on the Pulpit."

Hymn — "A Charge to Keep"

Closing prayer for morning session — Rev. Rexford Campbell  
12:00 Lunch

### AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00 Hymn — "Work for the Night is Coming"

Prayer — D. C. Severt

1:10 Sunday school report. In the absence of T. S. Moxley, Mrs. Moxley read the prepared report. There was a motion and a second for the adoption of the following report:

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. II Tim. 2:15

Where can the average person study the word of God with better understanding than in Sunday School? The Sunday School is the most important organization carried on in the church. It is here through the consecrated efforts of teachers, workers, and church members that gentleness, kindness, courage, faith and love are taught as assets to Christian character. Where a wide-awake Sunday School operates a progressive church is seen and greater work for the Lord is carried on.

Our youth of today will be our church leaders of tomorrow. Let's give them sound, efficient Bible Teaching in Sunday School so that they may have a "Sword and buckler" against temptation.

In our association there are nine active Sunday Schools. This leaves two churches without Sunday Schools. Let us take the theme of our associational program and be "laborers together with God" and build stronger Sunday Schools in all our churches. Stronger Sunday Schools mean better churches, better citizenship, better Christians and greater service for God.

Respectfully submitted,  
T. S. Moxley.

Report on Vacation Bible Schools was given by Mrs. Bill Shiflett. She moved that the report be adopted. Paul Swanson seconded the motion. The motion was carried adopting the report that follows:



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

As the Vacation Bible school report is brought to you again this year, it is inspiring to us as Baptists to know that each year our Youth of the churches is instructed by trained christian leaders who faithfully give of their time to teach our young-in-Christ how to work together in Bible study, fellowship, arts and crafts. This year we had an average attendance of forty-one in the six churches reporting — which is slightly higher than last year. May we all be laborers together with God.

Mrs. Bill Shiflett.

Report on Training Unions by Claude S. Roupe. There was a motion and a second. The following report was adopted:

### REPORT ON THE TRAINING UNION

We have been able to have our four mass meetings and four planning meetings with the Sunday School officers. We feel that these meetings have been a start toward the development of a good opportunity for each leader and officer in the organization to become better informed about Training Union and its growth associational-wide. The "M" night program was held with Osborne Memorial. It was very inspirational with a good attendance although short of the goal. We need to place more emphasis on Youth Week in 1960. Emphasis should also be upon Study courses and all the activities and goals both in our home churches and in the Association. May I urge upon us the opportunity and responsibility of the theme of Training Union for the year 1960. Training in Church Membership. We have a challenge before us in this work for each and every church member. May we remember this aim and through Training Union gain an increased understanding of the true meaning and responsibilities of church membership, acquire knowledge and develop certain attitudes, appreciation and skills which will make us more effective church members.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman



that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Tim. 2:15

Respectfully submitted,  
Claude S. Roupe, Director.

- 1.20 Woman's Missionary Union report was made by Mrs. Will Johnson. Mrs. Johnson moved the adoption of the report. Paul Swanson seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the report was adopted.

### ANNUAL REPORT ON THE W. M. U. OF ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION

Laborers together with God. This is taken from I Cor. 3:9.

This is the watchword of the South Wide W. M. U., and has been for years so this year it is the associational watchword.

I came before you last year with the theme "Not as a Stranger," but I feel as much a stranger today as a year ago. I have written cards to all pastors and key women and solicited appointments with the idea in mind of organizing in each church some one of the organizations of the W. M. U. I had no response but with one exception. I submit to you the following statistics:

Two W. M. S. organizations total membership .....	47
One ungraded G. A. ....	19
One ungraded Y. W. A. ....	12
Total .....	78

Total offering for the year:

Foreign Missions .....	\$264.75
Home Missions .....	96.62
Heck-Jones Memorial .....	49.84
	\$410.61

We have one new organization — Y. W. A. of Sparta Missionary Church with Miss Annie Sue Bennett, leader.

We enjoyed the hospitality and fellowship with the women of Liberty Church. Next year we will meet with the Laurel Springs church women.

Our ultimate goal is an organization in every church in the association. With a working body of the women, young people and children we will have a wide awake missionary association. In my experience of 50 years of work in the W. M. U. organization I have found that the women are always alert in forwarding the missionary work.

So much depends on the W. M. U. from the Sun Beams up to W. M. S. When the women are at work we will have "Rightousness in the heart, and beauty in character." If there is beauty in the character there will be harmoney in the home. If there is harmony in the home there will be order in the Nation. When there is order in the Nation, there will be peace in the world."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Will J. Johnson,  
W. M. U. Supt.

- 1:25 Report on Baptist Publications by Mrs. A. O. Joines.  
A motion and second was made for the adoption of the report. Rev. Rexford Campbell spoke in behalf of Christian Literature. The following report was adopted:

### BAPTIST LITERATURE

Now, as we start a new associational year, it is an excellent time to resolve anew to read well and wisely. The power of the written and printed word has hardly been exceeded by that of the spoken word since man learned to write. Words can conquer the minds of men as completely as swords once conquered their bodies.

"Our people perish for lack of knowledge; ignorance is the hand-maiden of the evil one." Someone has said, Every Christian owes it to the Lord, to his loved ones and to the world for whom Christ died, to make a special effort to inform himself and discover Christian strategy for victory over sins of our time.

Of course the Bible occupies first place always as we read in search of truth. All Christian literature must be forever dedicated to the furtherance of the Gospel. The im-

mense volume of Baptist literature is uplifting and is suited to every age and need.

Gods word and Christian literature should be honored by faithful reading in every home.

Sincerely submitted,

Mrs. A. O. Joines

1:45 Hymn "I am Thine O Lord."

1:50 Report of Baptist Hospital was given by H.E. Singletary. Mr. Singletary moved the adoption of the report. The second was made by Jim Leff Osborne. Dr. W. K. McGee spoke on this report telling some of the work the hospital was doing.

### **REPORT ON THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL**

Our Baptist Hospital seeks to serve our people with a complete program of specialized medical care for all who need it. Our people go in great numbers, with all types of serious illness, from all walks of life, and in all financial circumstances, to receive the ministry of our Baptist medical center. A constant effort is made to keep it personal and Christian in its care of sick people.

Last year Service Patients from 95 counties of the State made over 66,000 visits to the 31 clinics of the Out-Patient Department, which is open to families not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. About the same number of office visits were made by Private or full-pay patients. More than 16,000 sick persons were hospitalized for 132,000 days of bed care.

Forty per cent of the hospital service is rendered the patients who go to the Out-Patient Clinics or who enter the hospital through the Out-Patient Department. The services of the physicians are free to all these patients, but the hospital charges must be paid unless other arrangements are made by the family.

Last year the hospital spent well over one million dollars in the care of these Service Patients. The Mother's Day

Fund, along with the welfare funds and assistance from other agencies and foundations, enables the hospital to provide more than half of this service free for our very poor people. The Mother's Day Fund alone, has not covered the full cost of the care of even the most needy.

We need to lay upon the hearts of our members the necessity of the Mother's Day Fund, if our Baptist Hospital is to provide this important service for our poorer people.

### **SHARE AND CARE FOR THE NEEDY SICK**

Respectively submitted,  
H. E. Singletary

2:15 Christian Education report by Mrs. Ben Reeves. Mrs. Reeves moved the adoption of the report and Paul Swanson seconded the motion. The Rev. M.H. Kendall, used "Teaching Them to do What" as his subject and gave an interesting report on Christian Education. The following report was adopted.

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

North Carolina Baptist are justly proud of their seven fine colleges with an enrollment of almost eight thousand.

Every year many boys and girls are turned away from our institutions because of lack of rooms. These young people are ours to educate and train. A christian education is the real need for each of these young people. The education begins in the homes and is continued in the churches. To meet the needs of our Baptist churches for trained leaders we must look to our Baptist Christian colleges.

These schools face some serious needs today. They need your prayers and moral support. They need your understanding and your money. Our colleges are dependent upon the cooperative program and voluntarily gifts for their support. Less than fifty per cent of their operating costs are paid by students. To expect them to pay more would make education for many of them prohibitive.

All of these seven colleges are in building or expansion programs. They merit your prayers and your support.

What better investment can we make than the Christian education of our Youth?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ben G. Reeves

- 2:40 The Rev. James M. Hayes, Supt. of Home for Aging was recognized and invited to speak for his work. Mr. Hayes could not be present the next day. A report was given to the clerk to be read the following day.
- 3:00 Report on Audio-Visual Education in the churches was made by Miss Donna Jones. The motion was made and seconded to adopt the following report.

### **REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIO VISUAL AIDS**

The goal of all church endeavors is to reach more people effectively with the Gospel of Christ. Audio visual aids are God-given tools with great power for reaching people with God's message.

Audio visual education is the effort to help people learn through hearing and seeing. The purpose is that people may learn faster and more effectively that which is taught. These aids are to be used as instruments to help attain definite objectives in the teaching process.

The Department of Audio Visual Aids has no program to offer the churches. It seeks only to undergird and strengthen the existing church programs already set in motion. The Department promotes the use of both non-projected and projected visual aids.

Our ministry, a division of Promotion, is divided as follows:

1. We seek to provide an adequate library of both 35mm filmstrips and 16mm sound motion pictures in support of the total Baptist program. All films in the library are free rental to all the churches in the Convention. A large number of teaching and promotional films are added to the library each year. There are film titles to cover every area of Baptist work. Included are films on the work of the Sunday School,



Training Union, Brotherhood, Home and Foreign Missions, Children's Activities, Christian life, Evangelism and Stewardship. Approximately 5,000 films are booked every year.

2. The Department produces each year several 35mm filmstrips and motion pictures on special areas of Baptist work in the state. This year we have produced a 35mm filmstrip in color titled **ADDING LIFE TO YEARS**, depicting the ministry of the Baptist Homes for the Aging in North Carolina. Also, a new 35mm filmstrip in color titled **MISSIONS IN ACTION**, depicting the varied ministries of State Missions. To be released soon will be two 16mm titles in color on the Cooperative Program, **A CHANNEL OF BLESSING**; and a dramatic story of the ministry of Chowan College, **OPPORTUNITY - UNLIMITED**. These films are also free rental to all the churches when booked through the Department of Audio Visual Aids. Other films are in production for the coming year on agencies and institutions of the Convention.

3. Another ministry of the Department is the audio visual aid workshops planned each year upon the request from associations. Complete exhibits and demonstrations are the heart of this service. These workshops may be sponsored by any organization of the association. They are designed to meet the needs of every church leader and pastor. This year, workshops were sponsored by Burnt Swamp, Dan Valley, Neuse and Johnston Associations. These meetings are scheduled for one evening only with double periods.

4. Our services extend into many related fields. We counsel with pastors and committees throughout the year concerning the right types of equipment to purchase in carrying out the church program. We work closely with the Department of Church Architecture in designing audio visual installations which should be incorporated into the building program. These installations include taping facilities, projection systems, enforced sound, translucent baptistry systems, radio loops and television installations both for station and closed circuit use. More than 100 churches are aided each

year in these areas.

5. Special tape recorded messages as presented at the annual convention and the conference on evangelism are made available on a cost basis to the churches of the convention each year. Each year almost 100 churches avail themselves of this service. Taped recorded radio programs are distributed each year to the stations participating in the Baptist Network. Some twenty-five to forty radio stations join the network each year for these programs. The department prepares and presents each week a church-centered telecast over one of the major TV stations in North Carolina. Through these channels, the Baptists receive each year many thousands of dollars worth of news coverage. Many times during the year, special news releases are forwarded to all news outlets.

6. In support of the total Baptist program, the Department of Audio Visual Aids assists all departments and special committees with lay-outs and related pictures for programs, brochures and posters. We have provided many of the pictures appearing in the Biblical Recorder to give emphasis to the Baptist program. Charts and diagrams have been prepared for several departments for special presentations at clinics, conventions and campaigns. The chart and bulletin insert on the cooperative program have been prepared and made available through the promotion department on a free basis to the churches. Graphic Arts is one of the major services of our staff.

7. Finally, we seek to cooperate with every agency and board of the Southern Baptist Convention. We promote the major emphases of each group at the time scheduled on the Baptist calendar during the year. It is our desire to assist every association and every church in winning and developing people in the likeness of Christ. We covet your prayers as we labor in the Lord's work as a department in the division of promotion of our convention.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Jones.



3:10 Treasurer's report by Mrs. T. S. Moxley. A motion was made and seconded for the adoption of the report. The following report was adopted.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward .....	\$575.82
Receipts:	
Associational Missions fund:	
Sparta .....	\$324.00
Liberty .....	50.00
Laurel Springs .....	210.00
New Hope .....	15.00
Osborne Memorial .....	30.00
"M" Night offering .....	20.50
Rent from parsonages .....	533.50
	1758.82
Expenditures:	
"M" Night Love Gift .....	20.00
Printing Minutes .....	76.90
Repairs on parsonage water system .....	6.00
Associational Missions .....	960.00
	1062.90
BALANCE .....	\$695.92

Mrs. T. S. Moxley, Treasurer.

The Clerk was asked to read a report from the Executive Committee concerning a proposed budget for the association-al year 1959-60. This proposal was for the Alleghany Baptist Association to contribute \$1000.00 to Associational Missions. The money to be used for the Missionary's salary, traveling expenses, rent and other expenses of the work. A motion was made and seconded that the budget be accepted. The Association voted to accept the proposed budget.

3:30 Report of committees and election of officers. The committee on Time, Place and Preacher.

Time — Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in Sept.

Place — Laurel Springs Baptist Church

Preacher — The Rev. A. E. Sells.

Johnny Bryant, Chairman

Herbert Osborne,

Mrs. C. A. Reeves.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The report was adopted.

Report of Nominating Committee — The following persons are proposed for officers for the Association year 1959-60.

Moderator — Van F. Miller

Vice-Moderator — Rev. Jack W. Byrd

Clerk-Treasurer — Mrs. T. S. Moxley

Vice-Clerk-Treasurer — Mrs. Gene R. Irwin

Auditor — Ben G. Reeves

Historian — John M. Cheek

Pianist — Mrs. Arthur Neff

Choirster — Bill Shiflett

Ass'n Missionary — Rev. Audley B. Frazier

Supt. Sunday Schools — T. S. Moxley

Supt. B. T. U. — Claude S. Roupe

W. M. U. President — Mrs. Will Johnson

Brotherhood President — Dean Richardson

Mrs. A. O. Joines, Chairman

Clennel Richardson,

Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

Mrs. Joines made a motion that the report be adopted. The motion had a second. The above report was adopted.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Dr. W. K. McGee.

### SATURDAY SESSION

10:00 Hymn — "Jesus Calls Us"

The Rev. Audley B. Frazier used Romans 10:9 for the devotional scripture following with prayer.

The moderator recognized the visitors. The Rev. Vernon Sparrow, Supt. of Mills Home was recognized.

10:20 Memorial Service — Hymn — "Abide With Me." Mr.

Isom W. Wagoner lead this service entitled "Just to Remember."

### IN MEMORIAM

DAN J. JONES — New Hope Church

A. OSCAR JOINES — Liberty Church

WILEY P. MAXWELL — Liberty Church

MAJOR BLEVINS — Pine Fork Church

MRS. VICTORIA UPCHURCH — Pine Fork Church

MRS. DOLLIE PRESNELL — Mt. Carmel Church

CLAUDE T. DOUGHTON — Laurel Springs Church

REV. GEO. M. REEVES — Pastor of Belview and

Laurel Springs Churches

"Leaves have their time to fall, and flowers to wither as the North winds blast, but Thou, O Death, hath all seasons for thine own."

This association would not be complete, nor would we the living be doing justice to those of our number, who during the past year have gone through the valley of the shadow of death, without pausing for a little while to pay each one of them a tribute of respect. And so in keeping with a custom of this Association we deem this an important, as well as an integral part of our program.

At this time let us meditate for a few moments upon the words of our Savior when he said: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me tho he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

True it is, those of our number who have passed away are not with us here in this mortal life. We do not have them to be with, to talk to and associate with as in days gone by, but they shall live on in our memories, and the influence for the good of humanity which they have exerted and their strong, efficient stewardship for the cause of Christianity will forever stand out to lure others on to still grander and nobler deeds in their spiritual lives. Then too, when we pause to meditate upon the words of Jesus and his wonderful promise to those who repent and believe in him,

we can entertain the consoling thought that our departed friends and loved ones passed through the portals of death to a glorious immortality. And so death, after all, is only a transitory period to those who live and die in the Lord, and it is here that the mortal puts on immortality.

We firmly believe that each one of these gave special heed to the words of our Savior found in the 14th chapter of John, wherein he said: "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And, if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am there ye may be also."

And so as we reminisce upon the lives of those whom we are honoring now, we remember them not only as good, useful citizens of our country but people who loved others and tried to help others along the rough and thorny places of life — and in so doing, no doubt, led many a person to the foot of the Cross, but we like to think of them, too, as people who had their faith placed firmly in God and died in the glorious hope of an everlasting life beyond this earthly habitation.

In Rev. 14: 13 John records these words: "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me; write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea sayeth the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

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**TO AN OLD COUNTRY CHURCH****Truletta Fern Young**

(Guest at M. &amp; E. E. Home, Greensboro)

Old home church, just over the hill.

Trials and struggles thou hast known;  
And yet thy kindly light is shining still  
To point the weary, sin-sick traveler home.

Thou hast loved the path of truth and light;  
Tho a lack of leadership thou hast known—  
Bravely thou hast stood for what is right,  
And God himself the way to thee hath shown.

Thou are the home church of my childhood days;  
Within thy walls we found the Saviour, learned His ways;  
'Twas here our mother worshipped through the years,  
And oft the silence echoes a father's prayer.

Within thy sacred shadow loved ones sleep,  
Guard them well, thy tender vigil keep  
'Til the coming of the resurrection morn  
When they shall wake from their slumber  
To be forever with their Lord.

And when thine earthly mission is ended,  
That in love to thee was given.  
May thy children with joyful voices blending,  
Find a safe abode—a happy home in Heaven.

10:30 Report on Temperance. The Rev. A. K. Taylor was absent. No report was turned in for the minutes.  
Report on Home for aging. In the absence of Mrs. George Shepherd, Mrs. T. S. Moxley read the following report which was adopted by the association.

## REPORT OF BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The ninth year of operation of the Baptist Homes for aging began March 16, 1959. All three of the Homes, Resthaven, Albemarle and Headquarters have had a good year, and have been filled practically all the year to capacity — 119 counting residents and helpers. When vacancies occur, there are far more applicants on the waiting list than there are rooms to be filled.

Since the average age of a resident is about 80 years old, there were several deaths during the year, as might be expected. Among the deceased was the oldest resident "Uncle" John T. Holt, formerly of Wilson Mills, N. C. He died July 13, being 99 years of age. Had he lived until February 26, 1960 he would have been 100 years of age. He was a resident of the homes nearly eight years, and for the past two years was a patient in the infirmary of the Headquarters building. He was, indeed, a great soul, and all connected with the homes keenly miss him.

This has been another year of God's favor upon the homes and of encouraging progress. While the campaign to raise funds to build the fourth home in Eastern N. C., at Hamilton has not been completed yet there is good reason to believe that the money will be secured this year and construction will begin. Mr. Don G. Matthews of Hamilton has given the land for the site, and most of the \$50,000 which he promised. He is ready to give the balance when the extra \$100,000 has been raised. With re-organization of plans and persistent effort, the balance needed can and will be forthcoming.

Architectural plans and specifications for the enlargement of the infirmary at headquarter, Winston-Salem, have been prepared and construction of 28 additional bedrooms should begin by September or October.

It brings much joy to report that all indebtedness incurred with construction of the headquarters building has been paid, and that three homes are free from debt, thanks to our Lord and friends of the homes who have helped to



make this possible.

The pressing needs of the homes for aging now are (1) to finish raising the funds to start construction of the Hamilton home and (2) to raise about \$75,000 to cover the balance needed to pay for the additional facilities in the infirmary expansion. So, a total amount of \$150,000 must be raised therefore, to finish these two projects. When they are completed, 60 more bedrooms will be added for anxious and needy residents, thus increasing the total capacity of all the homes to 170 residents.

All connected with the N. C. Baptist Homes are most grateful to the churches, individuals and corporations for the help given to offer our aging friends who live in the homes a program of security, comfort, congeniality and a Christian ministry. Surely the words of our Lord "In as much as ye have done it unto one of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" are applicable to those who help make such services possible.

Mrs. George Shepherd.

10:45 Report of Baptist Children's Home — Mrs. Van Miller. Mrs. Miller moved that the report be adopted. Bill Shiflett seconded the motion. The Rev. Vernon Sparrow spoke for the Children's Homes. Also, he paid tribute to Dr. I. G. Greer, former supt. of Mills Home. The following report was adopted:

### **REPORT ON CHILDREN'S HOMES**

North Carolina Baptists have shown remarkable interest in their Children's Homes during the past year. Numerous church groups have visited the three campuses. Continued financial support has been encouraging. Awakened interest in your Child Care program has been evidenced in many respects.

During the past year members of the Children's Homes staff, under the best leadership available, have engaged themselves in a conscientious study of the entire Child Care program sponsored by North Carolina Baptists. Findings have been gratifying. The program has a commendable his-

tory and is one of the best in the nation. Every effort is being made by the present administration to continue the best care possible for dependent children.

More than 1,000 boys and girls were served by the Children's Homes during the past year. Mills Home, Kennedy Home, and Odum Home provided care for 547 children while 197 lived in Foster Homes. Through financial assistance of the Mothers Aid program 40 children were able to live with their mothers. Supervision and financial help were afforded 30 college students. Resourceful case workers assisted 214 additional children to find homes with relatives and other social service agencies.

Three cottages are currently under construction—one at each of the three homes. The Roy Culler family of High Point is providing funds for a boys cottage at Mills Home. The H. C. Ferebee family of Camden is making possible a cottage for girls at Kennedy Home. The new cottage at Pembroke will provide administrative offices, living accommodations as well as kitchen and dining facilities for the Indian boys and girls.

Significant recommendations relative to the Children's Homes were adopted by the Baptist State Convention in May following a two and a half year study by the committee of twenty-five. They are as follows:

1. That the number of children in foster home care be increased to approximate the number in institutional care.
2. That the Children's Homes begin to develop new types of programs to help children who are not being adequately cared for in other ways.
3. That increased attention be given to families throughout the state by well-trained, mature case work consultants to help avoid family breakdowns.

The convention has voted to bring the Children's Homes into the Cooperative Program on the same basis as all other institutions and objects. Churches may continue to send once-a-month offerings and special gifts. Designated gifts from churches to the Children's Homes will be administered

by the convention in the same manner as designated gifts from churches to other institutions. The homes are encouraged with this improved financial relationship with the convention. For lack of sufficient income the homes operated on a \$22,000 deficit in 1958. The deficit for 1959 will be approximately \$65,000. The only way the homes have of meeting the \$65,000 deficit this year is through a substantial increase in the Thanksgiving offering.

Mrs. Van F. Miller.

Report of Resolutions committee was given by W. F. Shepherd, chairman. Mr. Shepherd made a motion that the report be adopted. Van Miller seconded the motion. The adopted report is as follows:

### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution committee expresses deep appreciation:

1. To the members of Pine Fork Baptist Church for their very fine hospitality extended to us so graciously in every way.

2. To our moderator, our beloved Rev. Jack W. Byrd, and all others who helped in planning our program.

3. To all visiting ministers and state workers who brought inspirational and informative messages to us all.

The committee recommends:

1. That our churches insist on more interest in promoting the phases of our young people and their work.

2. We wish to extend our thanks to the Rev. Audley B. Frazier for his untiring efforts and the wonderful work he is doing in our association.

3. That greater emphasis be placed on reading about and studying the cooperative program and giving according to God's plan.

4. May we ask and wait always for divine guidance in all problems concerning our progress in church and associational work.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. F. Shepherd,  
Mrs. Ernest C. Minnich,  
F. C. Roupe.

A motion was made by Mrs. E. E. Caudill to change the time of the Friday session of the Association from Friday morning to Friday evening, then have a full day's program on Saturday on the date specified by the committee on time, place and preacher. The motion was seconded. The Rev. Audley B. Frazier suggested that this be tried for one year. If this change was found favorable then let it be incorporated in the constitution of the Association. The Association approved the change in time for the next session.

11:20 Hymn — "The Kingdom is Coming."

Inspirational Message — The Rev. Vernon Sparrow used Deut. 6 as a scripture reading. His subject was "Building Better Christians — The Foundation of America."

Closing Prayer — Audley B. Frazier

Adjournment of Association.

SUMMARY TABLE

CHURCHES	Location R-V-T-C	Year Organized	Services—Indicate 1-2-3-4	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES										Baptisms Reported	Additions by Letter	Total Mem. (Inc. Non-Resident)	Sunday School Enrollment	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Training Union Enrollment	W. M. U. Enrollment	Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Value Church Property (Including Pastor's Home)	Total Receipts For All Purposes	Total Mission Expenditures	Pastor's Annual Salary
Belview	R1909	1	Bill Shiflett, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	53	22	0	0	0	0	3,000	206	30	165										
Chestnut Grove	R1887	1	Garnett Smith, Ennice, N. C.	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	4,000	302	15	0										
Laurel Springs	R1891	4	A. E. Sells, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	73	29	39	15	3	0	9,500	1,372	457	644										
Liberty	R1881	2	Bill Shiflett, Sparta, N. C.	4	2	58	42	24	0	12	0	12,000	1,446	152	600										
Mt. Carmel	R1884	1	Everette Shaw, Glade Valley, N. C.	0	0	33	49	30	0	0	0	7,000	412	63	289										
New Hope	R1881	2	Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	82	0	18	0	0	0	3,000	130	15	50										
New River	R1939	1	A. K. Taylor, Independence, Va.	0	0	99	85	43	0	0	0	10,000	1,563	207	426										
Osborne Mem.	R1943	2	Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs, N. C.	0	0	81	50	26	20	0	0	7,000	479	75	249										
Pine Fork	R1898	2	Thurman Ratliff, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	4	0	81	50	26	20	0	0	7,000	479	75	249										
			Rt. 2, Box 404																						
Scottville	R1925	2	Brady Farmer, Piney Creek, N. C.	9	2	80	40	0	0	0	0	2,000	271	20	48										
Sparta	T1886	4	Jack W. Byrd, Sparta, N. C.	18	9	260	253	58	58	67	21	85,000	19,906	1,138	4,140										

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School En.	Grand Total Sunday School En.	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Church V. B. S. Enr.	Mission V. B. S. Enr.	Total Vacation Bible School Enr.	January Bible Study	Preparation Week
Belview .....	Geo. W. Shepherd, Laurel Springs	0	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	24	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chestnut Grove																							
Laurel Springs	Van F. Miller, Laurel Springs ...	0	0	2	3	3	2	1	0	2	0	12	4	4	0	29	16	0	39	0	39	Yes	0
Liberty .....	Miss Pearl Bengé, Whitehead ...	0	0	5	7	10	0	0	0	0	8	12	0	4	0	35	20	0	35	0	35	No	0
Mt. Carmel ....	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley, N. C. .	0	0	10	14	0	0	20	4	0	0	23	0	4	0	75	36	0	0	0	0	No	0
New Hope .....	Paul Swanson, Sparta, Star Rt. . .	0	0	0	6	14	11	0	0	0	12	0	0	6	0	49	22	0	26	0	26	Yes	0
New River .....																							
Osborne Mem. .	Harry Young, Rt. 3, Sparta .....	0	0	5	10	10	6	14	0	0	15	25	0	6	0	35	43	0	43	0	43	No	0
Pine Fork .....	Johnny Bryant, Laurel Springs ...	0	0	4	5	4	2	0	3	0	2	10	0	5	0	50	35	0	26	0	26	Yes	0
Scottville .....	W. F. Shepherd, Scottville .....	0	0	0	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	4	0	40	20	0	0	0	0	No	0
Sparta .....	H. E. Singletary, Sparta .....	9	20	21	23	41	42	19	0	0	40	28	0	5	0	253	95	0	58	0	58	Yes	0



TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES		TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES															Observe Youth Week?		
Laurel Springs	.....	Mrs. E. W. Shepherd,	Laurel Springs	...	0	0	0	6	0	12	6	0	24	14	0	No			
Sparta	.....	Bill Shiflett,	Sparta	.....	0	0	0	21	8	15	0	10	0	0	0	58	22	0	No
				Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Mission Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools		

TABLE E — BROTHERHOOD WORK

	PRESIDENT OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	CHURCHES
No. Junior R. A. Chapters	0	Sparta .....
Junior R. A. Enrolment	0	Dean M. Richardson, Sparta, Rt. 4 . . . .
No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	0	
Intermediate R. A. Enrolment	0	
Total R. A. Enrolment	0	
Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	0	
Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	0	
Total Men	0	
Grand Total Enrolment	0	

TABLE F — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES		PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES										Total Tithers, All Organizations			
Liberty .....	Mrs. A. O. Joines, Sparta, N. C. ....	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	12	12	2			
Sparta .....	Mrs. R. E. Richardson, Sparta, N. C., Rt. 4 .....	0	1	1	2					19	12	36	17		
		Sunbeam Units										Total Enrolled			
		G. A. Units													
		Y. W. A. Units													
		W. M. S. Units													
		Total Units													
		Sunbeam Enrolled													
		G. A. Enrolled													
		Y. W. A. Enrolled													
		W. M. S. Enrolled													
		Total Enrolled													

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Originally organized at Buffalo Baptist Church in Ashe County and Alleghany Baptist Association, September 24-25, 1886.

Organized as Alleghany and Grayson Association at Sparta, North Carolina, November 5, 1897. The name was changed to Alleghany Association at Liberty, September 10, 1909.

TIME	CHURCH	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHFR	Chmn. Ex. Comm
1. 1886, Sep. 24-25	Buffalo	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	G. W. Greene	James Eller
2. 1887, Sep. 22-24	New Hope	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	S. M. Collins	James Eller
3. 1888, Sep. 6-8	Apple Grove	T. M. Honeycutt	H. A. Eller	T. M. Honeycutt	James Eller
4. 1889, Sep. 12-14	Landmark	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
5. 1890, Sep. 18-20	Jefferson	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	J. F. Fletcher	James Eller
6. 1891, Sep. 17-19	Sparta	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	F. B. Cheek	James Eller
7. 1892, Sep. 15-17	Bethel	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	D. J. Harris	James Eller
8. 1893, Sep. 14-16	Apple Grove	T. M. Duncan	H. A. Eller	W. H. Glenn	James Eller
9. 1894, Sep. 13-15	Healing Springs	W. C. Fields	H. A. Eller	E. Tucker	James Eller
10. 1895, Oct. 3-5	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	R. L. Shoaf	T. M. Duncan	James Eller
11. 1896, Oct. 1-3	Brushy Fork	J. H. Doughton	H. A. Eller	E. Blevins	J. H. Doughton
1. 1897, Nov. 5	Sparta	J. H. Doughton	J. M. Wagoner	E. Tucker	J. H. Doughton
2. 1898, Oct. 7-9	Brush Crk. (Va.)	L. D. Vaughan	J. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	T. R. Windsor
3. 1899, Sep. 7-9	Laurel Springs	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	R. K. Johnson	R. L. Doughton
4. 1900, Sep. 6-8	New Hope	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	James Shumate	R. L. Doughton
5. 1901, Sep. 5-7	Pine Fork	W. C. Fields	W. F. Doughton	C. M. Rock	R. L. Doughton

6.	1902,	Sep.	11-13	Sparta	L. D. Vaughan	W. F. Doughton	L. D. Vaughan	R. L. Doughton
7.	1903,	Sep.	10-12	Liberty	J. H. Doughton	T. R. Windsor	J. W. Burchett	R. L. Doughton
8.	1904,	Sep.	8-10	Brush Crk. (Va.)	E. Blevins	W. M. Wagoner	F. B. Cheek	J. F. Cheek
9.	1905,	Sep.	7-9	Laurel Springs	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	L. M. Holloway	W. C. Fields
10.	1906,	Sep.	7-9	New Hope	E. Blevins	J. F. Cheek	E. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
11.	1907,	Sep.	6-8	Pine Fork	E. Blevins	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
12.	1908,	Sep.	10-12	Pleasant Grove	J. F. Fletcher	H. C. Edwards	J. F. Fletcher	R. L. Doughton
13.	1909,	Sep.	10-12	Liberty	R. L. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	R. L. Doughton
14.	1910,	Sep.	9-11	Laurel Springs	W. L. Hoppers	H. C. Edwards	W. L. Hoppers	R. L. Doughton
15.	1911,	Sep.	8-10	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	H. C. Edwards	D. S. Hubble	R. L. Doughton
16.	1912,	Sep.	6-8	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Geo. M. Reeves	B. E. Reeves
17.	1913,	Sep.	12-14	Chestnut Grove	B. E. Reeves	H. C. Edwards	Jno. E. Ray	B. E. Reeves
18.	1914,	Sep.	11-13	Pine Fork	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	L. B. Murray	W. F. Doughton
19.	1915,	Sep.	10-12	Liberty	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	C. M. Cope	B. E. Reeves
20.	1916,	Sep.	8-10	Mt. Carmel	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	G. T. Caudill
21.	1917,	Sep.	7-9	Laurel Springs	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	G. M. Reeves	W. F. Doughton
22.	1918,	Sep.	6-8	New Hope	B. E. Reeves	W. F. Jones	S. L. Blevins	R. L. Doughton
23.	1919,	Sep.	12-13	Bellview	B. E. Reeves	J. F. Roberts	W. A. Hash	R. L. Doughton
24.	1920,	Sep.	10-12	Chestnut Ridge	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Jones	Coy Blackburn	R. L. Doughton
25.	1921,	Sep.	9-11	Pine Fork	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	W. L. Hoppers	John M. Cheek
26.	1922,	Sep.	8-10	Liberty	John M. Cheek	W. F. Jones	C. E. Maddry	John M. Cheek
27.	1923,	Sep.	7-9	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	A. Lamonds	John M. Cheek
28.	1924,	Sep.	12-14	Sparta	John M. Cheek	K. M. Estep	T. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
29.	1925,	Sep.	11-13	Laurel Springs	John M. Cheek	N. C. Teague	H. L. Cofey	John M. Cheek
30.	1926,	Sep.	10-12	New Hope	John M. Cheek	W. B. Reeves	N. C. Teague	John M. Cheek
31.	1927,	Sep.	9-11	Bellview	W. Franklin	W. F. Jones	W. Franklin	I. T. Fender
32.	1928,	Sep.	7-9	Liberty	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	J. M. Page	R. A. Wagoner
33.	1929,	Sep.	6-8	Mt. Carmel	W. F. Doughton	W. F. Jones	A. Hayes	R. A. Wagoner
34.	1930,	Sep.	12-14	Sparta	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	E. Whisenhunt	R. A. Wagoner

35. 1931, Sep. 11-13	Laurel Springs	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
36. 1932, Sep. 9-11	New Hope	W. F. Doughton	J. L. Underwood	J. L. Underwood	M. E. Reeves
37. 1933, Sep. 8-10	Bellview	W. F. Doughton	J. T. Fender	T. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
38. 1934, Sep. 7-9	Liberty	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	C. H. McKnight	T. R. Burgess
39. 1935, Sep. 6-8	Mt. Carmel	J. K. Blum	J. T. Fender	G. A. Martin	F. W. Royal
40. 1936, Sep. 12-14	Scottville	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Blevins	A. O. Joines
41. 1937, Sep. 10-12	Pine Fork	F. W. Royall	J. T. Fender	S. L. Naff	A. O. Joines
42. 1938, Sep. 9-11	Sparta	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	C. H. McKnight	John M. Cheek
43. 1939, Sep. 8-10	Chestnut Grove	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	H. J. Ford	John M. Cheek
44. 1940, Sep. 6-8	Laurel Springs	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	J. M. Hayes	John M. Cheek
45. 1941, Sep. 12-14	New Hope	A. O. Joines	Van Miller	S. L. Blevins	John M. Cheek
46. 1942, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	F. W. Royall	Van Miller	A. C. Ashley	John M. Cheek
47. 1943, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	N. M. Greene	W. F. Doughton
48. 1944, Sep. 9-10	Mt. Carmel	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	W. T. Whittington	W. F. Doughton
49. 1945, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	R. H. Satterfield	W. F. Doughton
50. 1946, Sep. 7-8	Osborne Mem.	John M. Cheek	Van Miller	E. B. Barton	W. F. Doughton
51. 1947, Sep. 13-14	Scottville	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	W. H. Caldwell	W. F. Doughton
52. 1948, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	C. Gwaltney	W. F. Doughton
53. 1949, Sep. 10-11	Laurel Springs	Dr. N. D. Fox	W. P. Johnston	S. L. Blevins	W. F. Doughton
54. 1950, Sep. 9-10	New River	Van F. Miller	W. K. Sprinkle	J. G. Goodman	W. F. Doughton
55. 1951, Sep. 8-9	New Hope	Van F. Miller	J. B. Reed	F. G. Walker	W. F. Doughton
56. 1952, Sep. 13-14	Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	Fred Blevins	Van F. Miller
57. 1953, Sep. 12-13	Bellview	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	E. V. Bumgarner	W. F. Doughton
58. 1954, Sep. 11-12	Sparta	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	H. J. Ford	W. F. Doughton
59. 1955, Sep. 10-11	Mt. Carmel	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
60. 1956, Sep. 8-9	Liberty	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	R. R. Campbell	A. O. Joines
61. 1957, Sep. 14-15	Osborne Mem.	Van F. Miller	George Shepherd	Audley Fraizer	A. O. Joines
62. 1958, Sep. 7-8	Scottville	E. C. Minnich	George Shepherd	C. H. McKnight	A. O. Joines
63. 1959, Sep. 11-12	Pine Fork	Jack W. Byrd	Mrs. T. S. Moxley	Earnest Upchurch	A. O. Joines
			Mrs. T. S. Moxley	Guy W. Cain	Van F. Miller







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**1960-1961**

## **OFFICERS**

Moderator, Van Miller .....	Laurel Springs
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Treasurer, Mrs. T. S. Moxley .....	Laurel Springs
Auditor, Ben Reaves .....	Sparta
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Pianist —	
Chorister —	
Asso. Missionary, Rev. Audley Frazier .....	West Jefferson

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

George Shepherd .....	Belview Church
Eugene Shepherd .....	Laurel Springs Church
Mrs. A. O. Joines .....	Liberty Church
Hardin Spicer .....	Mt. Carmel Church
Miss Donna Jones .....	New Hope Church
Oscar Shumate .....	New River Church
E. C. Minnich .....	Osborne Memorial Church
Posie Pruitt .....	Pine Fork Church
W. F. Shepherd .....	Scottville Church
Ben Reaves .....	Sparta Church
Rev. Jack Byrd .....	Sparta Church

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN — 1961**

Baptist Publications .....	Mr. R. A. Richards
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Hospital .....	F. W. Royal
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Sunday Schools .....	Mr. T. S. Moxley

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Home For Aging .....	W. F. Shepherd
Audio-Visual Education .....	Miss Donna Jones
American Bible Society .....	Mrs. Ray Parlier
Brotherhood .....	Dean Richardson

### MESSENGERS 1960

- Belview — Mrs. Wayne Church, Mrs. G. W. Shepherd, Mrs. Roy Church.
- Chestnut Grove — George Taylor, Woodrow Blevins, Lena Edwards.
- Laurel Springs — Mrs. Robert Joines, E. W. Shepherd, T. S. Moxley, Mrs. Reece Miller.
- Liberty — Mrs. Arthur Neff, Georgia Ruth Edwards, Dorothy Lee Smith, Mrs. E. E. Caudill.
- Mt. Carmel — Sherman Caudill, Paul Woodruff, Bill Shaw, F. W. Royal.
- New Hope — Paul Swanson, Frank Roupe, Houston Wyatt.
- New River — Oscar Shumate, Ruth Maines, Charlie Pollard.
- Osborne Memorial — Jessie Mack Osborne, Ray Parlier, Burton Osborne, Clement Osborne.
- Pine Fork — Posie Pruitt, Johnnie Bryant, Everette Taylor.
- Scottville — W. F. Shepherd, Reggie DeBorde, Mrs. Zella Blackburn.
- Sparta — Annie Porter, Mrs. Zenna Richardson, Mrs. Virginia Reaves, C. G. Richardson.

### RESIDENT MINISTERS

Rev. Jack Byrd .....	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Brady Farmer .....	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Hayes McClure .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
Rev. A. E. Sells .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.
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Rev. Garnett Smith .....	Ennice, N. C.
Rev. Joe Lovelace .....	Sparta, N. C.
Rev. Howard Crouse .....	Glade Valley, N. C.
Rev. Willie Hamm .....	Laurel Springs, N. C.

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Rev. Lee M. Woodruff .....	Salem, Virginia
Rev. Jesse W. Davis .....	Galax, Virginia
Rev. John Edwards .....	Independence, Virginia

### ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS

Supt. ....	T. S. Moxley
Chorister .....	H. E. Singletary
Pianist .....	Mrs. Annie Porter
Supt. of Enlargement and Evangelism ...	Rev. Hayes McClure
Secretary & Treasurer .....	Mrs. George Shepherd
Vacation Bible School Supt. ....	Mrs. A. E. Sells

### DEPARTMENT SUPT.

Cradle Roll .....	Mrs. Reece Miller
Nursery .....	Mrs. Harry Young
Beginner .....	Mrs. W. F. Shepherd
Primary .....	Mrs. Clement Osborne
Junior .....	Mrs. Jim Leff Osborne
Intermediates .....	Mrs. H. E. Singletary
Young People .....	Miss Donna Jones
Adults .....	Mr. H. M. Wyatt
Extension Dept. ....	Rev. Jack Byrd

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Associate Dir. ....	Mrs. Reece Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Pastor Advisor ...	Rev. Hayes McClure, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Chorister .....	Mrs. J. C. Bryant, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Pianist .....	Johnny Shepherd, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Secretary .....	Mrs. Annie Porter, Sparta, N. C.

### DEPARTMENT LEADERS

Nursery .....	Mrs. Van Miller, Laurel Springs
Beginner .....	Mrs. F. U. Taylor, Laurel Springs
Primary .....	Mrs. Claude Roupe, Laurel Springs
Junior .....	Mrs. A. E. Sells, Laurel Springs
Intermediates .....	Mrs. Ray Parlier, Piney Creek

Young People ..... Mrs. Eugene Shepherd, Laurel Springs  
 Adults ..... Mrs. C. A. Reaves

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
**SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION OF**  
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**SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 1960**

**THEME:**

**FRIDAY EVENING — SEPTEMBER 9, 1960**

- 7:30 Hymn — "Come Thou Fount"  
 Scripture and Prayer ..... Jack W. Byrd  
 Organization and Business  
 1. Seating of messengers — roll call  
 2. Reception of visitors and new pastors  
 Report of Executive Committee ..... Van Miller  
 Report of Treasurer ..... Mrs. T. S. Moxley  
 Report of Associational Missionary  
Rev. A. B. Frazier  
 Special Music  
 Appointment of Committees  
 Hymn — "Footsteps of Jesus"  
 Introductory Message ..... Rev. A. E. Sells  
 Closing Prayer ..... Rev. G. C. Burkett

**SATURDAY MORNING — SEPT. 10, 1960**

- 10:00 Hymn — "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
 Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. A. B. Frazier  
 Recognition of Visitors  
 Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions  
Mrs. A. O. Joines  
 Womens Missionary Union Report .... Mrs. Ben Reaves  
 Special Music ..... Solo by Mrs. Irwin  
Organist ..... Mrs. Joines  
 Report on Home For Aging ..... W. F. Shepherd  
 Report on Baptist Hospital ..... H. E. Singletary  
 Hymn — "Saviour More Than Life To Me"  
 Associational Message ..... Rev. Fritz Hemphill  
 Recess For Lunch —

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON — SEPT. 10, 1960**

Hymn —

Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Thurman Ratliff

Visitors Recognized —

Memorial Service ..... Rev. Jack Byrd, Audley Frazier

Report on Christian Education .... Mrs. Paul Swanson

Report on Baptist Literature ..... Mrs. E. W. Shepherd

Sunday School Report ..... Mr. T. S. Moxley

Training Union Report ..... Mr. Claude Roupe

Temperance Report ..... Rev. A. E. Sells

Vacation Bible School Report —

Report of the American Bible Society .... E. C. Minnich

Brotherhood Report ..... Dean Richardson

Report on Evangelism ..... Rev. Hayes McClure

Report of Committees —

Closing Prayer ..... Rev. Audley Frazier

**CONSTITUTION**

**PREAMBLE:** We, the messengers of Baptist churches in the County of Alleghany, State of North Carolina and territory adjacent thereto, do hereby propose to establish and maintain the order of a district Association in conformity to the following plan:

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be Alleghany Baptist Association.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Article 2. The members of this Association shall consist of all pastors serving constituent churches together with all churches and such messengers as may be selected by the churches comprising it and duly certified to in the annual letters sent by the churches to the appointed meetings, the basis of representation being three messengers for each church having a membership not exceeding fifty and one additional messenger for each increase of fifty, or fraction thereof: Provided that no church have more than five messengers from its lay membership.

### **OBJECTS**

Article 3. The object of this body shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the unity and growth, the intelligence and spiritual powers of the churches, and for the developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in promoting the Kingdom of God on the earth in compliance with the New Testament principles and in cooperation with the State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

### **POWERS AND PREROGATIVES**

Article 4. While disclaiming the right of authority to interfere in the affairs of any local church, this Association asserts its privilege of using its discretion in receiving churches into its fellowship and in withdrawing fellowship from any church found on careful investigation to be walking in disorder or failing in practice to endorse and support the missionary and benevolent work of the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association shall meet annually, the time and place being determined at the previous session; and each annual assembly shall organize itself by properly enrolling its membership, and by electing from its membership, at the regular appointed time, the following officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Auditor, Historian, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational W. M. U. President, Choir Director and Pianist. The newly elected officers shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the session at which they are elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall arrange an order of business and program for each session, subject to change if the Association so desires.

Article 6. At each annual session an Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Association, which Committee shall consist of the general officers of the body together with the pastor of each church, which members shall be nominated by the church or by delegates present from the



church and approved by the Association. This Committee shall meet as often as it may desire for the effectual execution and performance of its duties. At its discretion it may select out of its own membership a small Committee of not less than five members to act in its behalf between sessions of the full Board.

Article 7. At each annual session there shall be appointed a committee to make report at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Christian Education, Baptist Orphanage, Hospital, Periodicals, Sunday School, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Union, Temperance and Public Morals.

### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the appointed time, to enforce the rules, to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Association, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association, to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same; and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed direct to the Association by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to examine annually the Treasurer's books and attest the report.

Article 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts and interest about each of the churches of the Association and make a report at each session of this body.

Article 14. It shall be the duty of the Association Sunday School Superintendent to promote the work of the Sun-



day School in the Association.

Article 15. It shall be the duty of the Associational Training Union Director to promote the work of the Training Union in the Association.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact the business of the Association and interim as specified in Article Three. It shall contract no debts in the name of the Association without its specified authority. It shall make annual reports to the Association of the general state of missions and the work done.

Article 17. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

### **ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES**

(Reprint from "The Minutes of a Convention organizing the Ashe and Alleghany Association held at Buffalo Church in Ashe County, September 24, 25, 1886.")

1st. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God-head — the Father the Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible — the Old and New Testament — is the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

T. M. Duncan,  
C. J. Woodson,  
E. L. Tucker,  
I. W. Thomas,  
J. E. Fletcher, Committee.

### **RULES OF ORDER**

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. A majority of members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except in matters relating to the constitution.

3. Brethren invited to seats with us shall have the privilege of discussion but not of voting.

4. No question shall be discussed without a motion and second. All motions made and seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator, or at his request, be read by the Clerk before vote is called for. If a motion contains two or more points it shall be divided by request of one member and the vote taken separately. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being put to a vote.

5. Members wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and be recognized by him. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid all personalities. He shall not speak more than twice on the same subject and not over fifteen minutes without permission from the body.

6. When a question is under discussion no other motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite

time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they come.

7. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted for consideration.

8. Any church failing to be represented in this body either by messengers or by letter for two sessions will be subject to the discipline of the body. A committee will be appointed to visit the church and aid them in any way possible and in case the church shall not report for the third year it shall be excluded from the fellowship of the Association.

9. No member shall absent himself permanently from the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.

10. All questions of order not herein provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided by Rules or some recognized, "Parliamentary Practice" preferably "Roberts" or Kerfoots.

## **Proceedings**

### **SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 1960 EVENING SESSION**

7:30 Hymn — "Come Thou Fount"

The devotion was conducted by the Rev. Jack Byrd, pastor of Sparta church. His Text was "Christian Growth" taken from II Peter 3:18. His scripture was I Peter second chapter.

7:45 The Moderator, Mr. Van Miller asked the clerk for the roll call of the churches. The churches not accounted for were Mt. Carmel, New River, and Chestnut Grove. Visitors at the meeting were asked to stand and be recognized. They were: Rev. G. C. Burkett from Friendship and Laurel Knob Baptist churches in Ashe County, Rev. Guy Cain, Northwestern District Missionary, Mr. R. L. Sells, West Virginia and

Rev. W. W. Blackburn, new pastor of the Scottville Baptist Church.

8:00 Report of the Executive Committee was given by Chairman Van Miller who moved the adoption of the report which was seconded by A. E. Sells and adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1960

The Executive Committee wishes to commend the pastors and laymen of the various churches, also Brother Audley Frazier our missionary for the work that has been done in the past year. We hope that all the churches of the Association will go along with the Cooperative Program and the Baptist work in general for the coming year.

The parsonages at Whitehead have been rented for the past year, rent collected and placed in hands of the treasurer.

We especially commend the members of the Sparta and New Hope Churches for the work that they have done in the past year on their church and educational building. Let us all take courage to go forth to the work for God, for the harvest is great and the laborers are few.

Respectfully,

Van F. Miller,

Chairman of Executive Committee.

8:15 The Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. T. S. Moxley. A move was made and seconded for the adoption of the report which follows.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD 9-3-59 ..... \$665.92

Receipts:

Associational Missions Fund

Laurel Springs (1958-59) ..... \$ 90.00

(1959-60) ..... 275.00

Liberty ..... 52.00

New Hope ..... 15.00

Osborne Memorial ..... 90.00

(1958-59) ..... 30.00

Scottville (1959-60) ..... 5.00

Sparta .....	347.76
	\$905.26
Minutes Fund .....	\$ 81.50
Rents:	
Old parsonage .....	\$150.00
New parsonage .....	360.00
TOTAL .....	\$2162.68
Expenditures:	
Associational Missions .....	\$1092.00
Kelley's Motel (meals for Mr. Stroud) .....	10.20
Oscar Woodie (graveling driveway at parsonage) ...	32.00
Ben Reaves (repairs on septic tank) .....	49.95
Alleghany News (printing minutes) .....	119.90
Postage .....	3.00
Vent for flue .....	20.00
	\$1327.05
NEW BALANCE .....	\$835.63

Following is the report of our Associational Missionary,  
Rev. Audley Frazier, which was adopted:

### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Sept. 1, 1959 - Sept. 1, 1960

Type of work done in the churches:

- Sermons preached — 4
- Sunday School Classes Taught — 3
- Church Study Courses Taught — 4
- Vacation Bible Schools Taught — 2
- Vacation Bible Schools Promoted — 3
- Mission Studies Taught — 2
- Visual Aids Presented — 6
- Ordination Services — 1

Associational Promotional Efforts:	Meetings
Alleghany Music School, Sparta .....	5
"M" Night, Laurel Springs .....	1
Youth Night, Osborne Memorial .....	1
Vacation Bible School Clinic, Laurel Springs .....	1
Annual W. M. U. Meeting, Laurel Springs .....	1
Preachers' School, West Jefferson .....	5

Laymen's School .....	4
Seminary Extension — Promoted & Taught two classes	
Other Efforts Used to Promote the Work (Both Associations)	
Conferences: Individual 604, Group 24, Committee 36	
Mail Sent Out: Letters 760, Cards 347, Reports 57	
Miles Traveled in Promotion of the Work: 20,000	
Calendar of Activities distributed: 200	
Work Done or Meetings Attended Outside of the Association:	
	No. of Days
Three Schools of Missions — South Yadkin .....	6
Three Forks .....	5
West Chowan .....	6
Associational BTU Officers' Meeting, Winston-Salem ..	1
Baptist State Convention, Greensboro .....	3
Assn. Missionaries' Conference, Greensboro .....	1
Assn. Missionaries' Workshop, Salisbury .....	3
Homes for Aging Representatives Meeting,	
Winston-Salem .....	1
Brotherhood Officers' Meeting, Hickory .....	1
State VBS Clinic, Fruitland .....	3
Region VII BTU Convention, Taylorsville .....	1
Region VII Brotherhood Convention, Wilkesboro .....	1
Southern Baptist Convention, Miami Beach, Fla. ....	4
Assn. Missionaries' Conference, Southport .....	4
Respectively submitted,	
Audley B. Frazier, Missionary	
Ashe-Alleghany Associations.	

After the reading and adoption of the Missionary's report Mr. Frazier gave a preview of the year's coming work with remarks and explanations regarding the work to be done.

Special music by Mrs. Paul Joines, organist.

Appointment of committees. The Moderator appointed the following:

Committee on time, place, and preacher: C. E. Jones, chairman; Ray Parlier, and Mrs. Clennel Richardson.

Nominating Committee: H. E. Singletary, chairman; Mrs. A.

E. Sells and Mrs. Dan Jones.

Committee on Resolutions: A. O. Joines, chairman; George Shepherd, and Mrs. Harry Young.

8:30 Hymn — "Footsteps of Jesus"

Introductory Message was by the Rev. A. E. Sells, pastor of Laurel Springs Baptist church. His scripture was taken from Hosea 7:1-10. His text: "Ephriam A Cake Not Turned."

Closing Prayer by Rev. G. C. Burkett.

### **SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 10, 1960**

10:00 Hymn — "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Scripture and Prayer by Rev. Audley Frazier.

The moderator asked that visitors be recognized at this time. They were Mr. D. C. Severt, Ashe Association, Clyde Morris, Thomasville, and Fritz Hemphill from Fruitland.

10:15 Mrs. A. O. Joines gave the following report on State, Home, and Foreign Missions. Mrs. Joines moved the adoption of the report. After a second the report was adopted.

### **REPORT ON STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS**

As we think on the mission program of our Lord as given in Acts 1:8 we see the entire field as a unit. Therefore each phase of our mission program in the Association, state, home and foreign field has its all important place in order to carry out the whole of the great commission. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost." (Matt 28:19)

### **STATE MISSIONS**

State missions is the missionary efforts on the part of North Carolina Baptists to reach the unsaved for Christ. We need to teach, enlist and train the saved in living, giving and serving through the churches.

The state mission program is under the leadership of Dr. E. L. Spivey. There are four broad divisions of services for the mutual benefit of all people namely: (1) Teaching



the word through evangelism in Sunday School, Vacation Bible Schools, etc.; (2) Training the church members through Baptist Training Union, Baptist Students Union, church music, Royal Ambassadors, Assemblies, rural church work, and work with negroes and other races; (3) Assistance and service to pastors which includes: Pastoral Support, Pastor's church schools, and audio-visual aid, church and building, planning and lots for new churches; (4) Conservation and care is concern which includes: Baptist history, silent people, church—state separation, student loan fund, Christian action league and sanatorium ministry. There are nearly 5,000,000 souls in N. C. with less than half saved.

### HOME MISSIONS

To make Christ known through home missions means that we must keep as our goal and aims the slogan adapted by the Board of Domestic Missions; "Never live in hope or expectations while your hands are folded in idleness." Now that the century mark is rolling upon this slogan statistics show substantial gain in number of workers and converts.

Dr. Courts Redford of Atlanta, Georgia is the executive secretary of the Home Mission Board. Chinese, Italian, Spanish speaking people; Indians, Negroes, Jews, Japanese and others are ministered to by the 2,000 missionaries. Major attention is being focused on evangelism. Church development, literature films, exhibits, conferences and schools are aids in this worthy undertaking.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign missions carries the message of Christ to the "uttermost part of the earth." This work is directed by Dr. Baker Cauthen with headquarters at Richmond, Va.

Southern Baptists are demonstrating a determination to provide financial reinforcements for missions through the cooperative program and Lottie Moon Christmas offerings. During 1958 one hundred thirty-seven missionaries were appointed. This is the largest number ever appointed to Foreign Missions in one year in the history of the Board.

There are now around 1,400 Baptist missionaries in Foreign fields.

We should remember that the increase in world population is outgrowing our efforts to evangelize. Percentage-wise the world grows more non-Christian each year.

May each of us do our part to help win all peoples to Christ throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. A. O. Joines.

After the adoption of the report on State, Home, and Foreign Missions the Rev. Guy Cain spoke on State Missions and Christian Literature urging that each church in the Association form a Recorder Club. He also brought greetings from Rev. Julian Hopkins, Chairman of State Evangelism and from Marse Grant, editor of the Biblical Recorder. Both Rev. Cain and Mr. Grant had planned to attend the Association but were detained.

Womens Missionary Union report was made by Mrs. Ben Reaves who moved the adoption of the report. Mr. Frazier seconded the move and the report was adopted.

### **REPORT OF THE W. M. U. OF THE ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION**

The purpose of Womens Missionary Union is to promote Christian Missions through study, prayer, community missions, and stewardship.

We are grateful for the 46 women enrolled in the W. M. S. organizations, Sparta and Liberty. The Laurel Springs women join with us in mission gifts. Last year we gave \$502.75 to State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

Sparta has a newly organized Sunbeam Band under the direction of Mrs. Dean Richardson with 14 enrolled. One Junior G. A. with 17 enrolled making a total of 78 in all W. M. U. organizations. Five girls attended Regional G. A. Camp at Camp Butner this Summer and three girls went to G. A. camp at Fruitland.

Our annual meeting was held at Laurel Springs where

we were honored to have our State W. M. U. President, Mrs. W. K. McGee and Mrs. Helen M. Hayes, Missionary to Japan as our guest speakers. Mrs. Earle James, district president was also present and took part on the program.

We are grateful for the faithfulness of the present membership, but how our hearts yearn to see the women in the other nine churches in our Association become interested in W. M. U. work and become "Laborers Together With God."

Every good mother wants to share with her children every good thing she enjoys. Every Christian mother wants to lead her children to know God. But, what is being done for the Spiritual enrichment of your children's lives? With only two youth organizations in our Association I fear we are neglecting our wealthier children.

The time is short. Let me urge you to give of your time and talents to the training of our children and young people through youth organizations in our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ben Reaves.

After the reading of the above report Mrs. A. E. Sells spoke on the history of W. M. U., its work and its usefulness to a church and a pastor.

No report was given for the Childrens Home, however, Mr. Clyde J. Morris, purchasing manager for the Childrens Home gave a splendid talk in the interest of all three schools, Mills Home, Kennedy Home and Odom Home.

At this time we were honored to have special music presented by Mrs. Irwin, soloist and Mrs. Joines, organist. Following this Dr. McGee, from the Baptist Hospital and Mr. William Poole from the home for the aging was recognized.

Mr. W. F. Shepherd gave a report on the Home For The Aging. The following report was adopted.

### **REPORT ON HOME FOR THE AGING**

At the present time there are sixty applicants on the waiting list and new inquiries and applications pouring in daily. We now have a total of 106 residents in our three homes — Resthaven, 20; Albemarle, 34; Headquarters, 52.

Even with our new facilities we could fill rooms up to 500 in the next two years. We are dependent upon the prayers and the financial support of the churches if we are to take care of our older people as God would have us do. During the fiscal year, October 1, 1959 to August 1, 1960, we have received \$82,521.20 from the churches with \$76,352.70 of this amount being contributions of the special day offering in February. Although we are \$123,000 short of our goal we are profoundly grateful to God and to everyone who has had a part in contributing to this worthy cause.

We are grateful for the amount of money contributed by the churches in Ashe and Alleghany, yet if all the churches had taken part in this great cause we would have given much more than the \$509.18 which we did give. May we awaken to the need to support our homes for the aging as well as the entire Baptist Program.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. F. Shepherd.

After the reading of this report Mr. Poole spoke for the homes.

H. E. Singletary gave the following report on the Baptist Hospital which was adopted.

### **REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL**

The Ministry of our Baptist Hospital touches every area of our state. Last year it served more than 17,000 bed patients, with 150,000 visits being made to the clinics and offices. They came for examinations, medical treatment, skilled surgery, and spiritual guidance. Many of our homes, most of our churches, and almost all of our communities have been served by this ministry of healing. It touches the family life of about a quarter of a million of our people each year.

Sickness is no respecter of persons or pocket books. It strikes the rich and poor alike - the widow, the orphan, the aged. There are times when they need such specialized care as that available at our Baptist Hospital. The Mother's Day

Fund provides money with which our Hospital gives assistance to those who cannot pay the full cost of their care. Our Hospital almost doubles our gifts with matching funds from welfare agencies and other gifts. In addition to this, the medical staff gives its services without charge to all service patients, except for available insurance payments.

Probably we should ask ourselves if we as Christians should provide such a ministry for our needy, sick neighbors. Jesus and the New Testament writers give us the answer. But do we really want such a ministry? It cannot be provided except at great cost. Our Hospital receives about 3 3-4 per cent of our Co-operative Program funds for payments on the buildings, purchase of expensive equipment, such as heart-lung machines, and for the Department of Pastoral Care. Our Mother's Day Fund provides the money to help pay the hospital bills of needy, sick persons. The amount of this fund determines for the most part the amount of help our hospital can give.

If we are serious about this ministry which was so close to the heart of our Lord, and want our hospital to give help when our people need it, we are going to have to become serious about our giving to the Mother's Day Fund. Our hospital is facing a grave financial problem, and if it is to give free service we are going to have to contribute the money to finance the program.

The only way we can support this work is to plan for it, to make somebody in each church responsible for it, to let our people know about the need, and to challenge them to give of their means. Some of our churches over the state have been doing this, and our people have demonstrated that when this is done they will provide the necessary support. We come to ask you to do it in your church — not for the hospital, but for sick people who are in need.

Hymn — "Saviour More Than Life To Me"

Associational Message — Rev. Fritz Hemphill, director of Fruitland. His subject: "Types of People We Have to Witness To."

Adjourn for Lunch —



## **FRUITLAND BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE REPORT TO THE ALLEGHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

Back in the early forties, a school for ministers who had not had the privilege of college education began at Boone, N. C., under the direction of J. C. Canipe, then pastor of the First Baptist Church of Boone. In 1946, this school was moved to Fruitland with 46 students enrolled the first year. Last year, there were about 170 enrolled.

Fruitland fills an important place in the lives of many preachers, as well as North Carolina Baptists in general. The men who attend Fruitland come from all parts of North Carolina and nearby states. They have various backgrounds as to education. Some have not been to college, while others have graduated from college and a few from the Seminary.

The program at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute is designed to help men in the best way possible. It seeks to lead them in cooperation and support of all our Baptist work. Men who have been to Fruitland now serve as pastors, evangelists, and missionaries. Many of them serve as moderators of our Baptist Associations here in the state of North Carolina.

Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute was established by and is supported and controlled by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. No God-called person is ever turned away for such reasons as lack of finances, or degree of education. Indeed, Fruitland is a school for preachers, with a fellowship which is hard to find anywhere else on earth.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. J. Culler, Member  
Committee on Public Relations  
Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute.

## **AFTERNOON SESSION**

Hymn —

Scripture and prayer ..... Rev. Thurman Ratliff

Rev. Ratliff used for his scripture, Zachariah 1:7-17.  
After the devotion the following visitors were recognized:  
Rev. R. R. Campbell from West Jefferson, and Dr. L. H. Hol-

lingworth from Wake Forest College.

1:30 Memorial Service —

In keeping with a custom of this Association, Rev. Jack Byrd led in the Memorial Service remembering those our beloved dead:

Mrs. Susanna Spicer .....	Laurel Springs Church
Mr. M. A. Jones .....	Scottville Church
Mr. Andy M. Osborne .....	Osborne Church
Mr. Harrison Taylor .....	Pine Fork Church
Robert Hoppers .....	Pine Fork Church
Carlie Osborne .....	Pine Fork Church
Blanche Lane .....	Pine Fork Church
Mrs. Lou Grubb .....	Scottville Church
Mrs. Will Johnson .....	Sparta Church
Mr. John M. Cheek .....	Sparta Church

The Report on Christian Education was given by Mrs. Paul Swanson who moved the adoption of the report. The following report was adopted:

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

North Carolina Baptists promote a program of education much wider in scope than that represented in their seven colleges. In the local churches there are numerous activities along with the Sunday school relating to education. All these activities are promoted through a special division known as Church Programs. Through the Southern Baptist Convention North Carolina Baptists share in the promotion and support of the seven seminaries which are administered through trustees elected by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Through a Division of Christian Education in the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina the work of seven colleges is promoted. These are Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb, Wingate, Chowan, and Campbell. In the last year there were enrolled in these seven colleges some 8,100 students. Their annual operating costs were above \$10,000,000, with approximately \$500,000 of



this coming through our Cooperative Program plan of giving. An additional \$600,000 was provided for capital outlay or plant improvements and expansion. Without the addition of new buildings it is not possible for these colleges to enroll many more students than the number taken last year.

Last year, 1959, there were graduated from our North Carolina high schools 42,954 students. Of this number there were 32,441 white high school graduates. It is safe to estimate that of this 32,441 graduates 15,000 were Baptist. Almost exactly one out of three enrolled in some college last September, leaving the other two out of three without college training. So our 15,000 Baptist youth graduating from high school in 1959, 10,000 never enrolled in college. Of this 10,000 ending their education with high school, one-fourth of them were in the upper third of their high school graduating class. Thus, we see that a majority of our Baptist young people will never become ministers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, nor any of the many other professions open only to those having an opportunity to go to college. Of the 8,103 students in our seven Baptist colleges last year, 5,000 were Baptist. There were some 13,000 Baptist students in other colleges.

It is believed that by 1970 we shall have in North Carolina not 15,000 white Baptist boys and girls graduating from high school each year but 30,000; and that we may expect a much larger percentage to go to college. It seems conservative to predict that at least 35,000 Baptist boys and girls will be in college within ten years. The question confronting us is where shall we provide for their college training? Shall we maintain the status quo in our Baptist colleges and ask the state to provide for them through increased taxes, or other denominations to provide for them in their colleges, or would it be better for Baptists to face the facts with vision and courage and provide Christian education for their future leaders? Let us not be afraid to

think together and ask God to guide us to do His will in whatever we do.

### **ENROLLMENT AND SUPPORT INCREASE**

Southern Baptists operate seventy-one seminaries, colleges, and schools. Enrollments or regular students have reached a record high for 1959-60 of 61,194 students compared to 61,086 in 1958-59. In addition there are 8,221 special and extension students, making a total of 69,415.

Graduates from the seventy-one schools from September 1958 to August 1959 totaled 10,006 compared with 10,218 the preceed year.

State Conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention increased gifts to the schols from \$14,169,831 to \$14,729,621. Gifts from the conventions for operations amounted to \$9,280,117 and for capital projects \$5,449,504.

In addition, the schools received \$8,232,505 in gifts, grants, and donations.

The total assets of Southern Baptist educational institutions continue to grow. Property value is listed at \$231,655,841 and endowments at \$79,686,028, or a total of \$311,341,869.

### **CHRISTIAN SERVICE VOLUNTEERS**

This year there are 13,471 students who have volunteered for some church-related vocation as compared to 14,344 in the preceding year.

Ministerial students number 8,233 compared to 9,063 in 1958-59; mission volunteers 2,070 compared to 2,011; educational directors 2,009 compared to 2,173; and church music volunteers 1,159 compared to 1,097.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Paul Swanson.

Following the report Rev. Rexford Campbell spoke for Mars Hill College and Dr. L. H. Hollingsworth spoke for all our Baptist Colleges.

The report on Baptist Literature was given by Mrs. E.W. Shepherd. The following report was adopted:

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

There are numerous magazines and periodicals which are published regularly by the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. Each of these have a specific purpose and use within the Church Program. We are familiar with much of the literature that is available to us yet, we might consider whether we are making maximum use of all that is available to us. For example, The Training Union Magazine, written by people who are trained in this work, with many features easy to follow and easily understood. There are detailed Assembly Programs, and numerous articles by dedicated Christians who share with us their experiences that we may use them to make our programs more effective.

There are publications available to every church group for practically any church function. In the Sunday School Programs there are Quarterly Magazines for each age group and Monthly magazines for the Teachers of the groups.

All Church leaders should make it their responsibility to learn all the literature and see that their church has that which would make it operate more effectively. Every church does not have the same needs and for that reason each church must choose carefully the literature best suited to their needs. For example each church does not have need for the Training Union Magazine or the Sunday School Quarterly for the Deaf but those churches who do have deaf people in their midst should be aware of this literature and use it.

As we think of the importance of Christian literature in our churches and in our homes let us not forget our own Baptist State Paper, The Biblical Recorder. With the many crucial issues coming up in the world almost daily, it is imperative that Baptist people be informed and the best source is our Baptist State Paper. For 2 or 3 cents each week the Recorder can be sent to every home in our churches.

May we make the best possible use of our Baptist Literature in our church, home, and personal life.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. E. W. Sheppherd

### **REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICES**

The goal of all church endeavors is to reach more people effectively with the Gospel of Christ. Audio visual aids are God-given tools with great power for reaching people with God's message.

Audio visual education is the effort to help people learn through hearing and seeing. The purpose is that people may learn faster and more effectively that which is taught. These aids are to be used as instruments to help attain definite objectives in the teaching process.

The Department of Program Services has no program to offer the churches. It seeks only to undergird and strengthen the existing church programs already set in motion. The Department promotes the use of both non-projected and projected visual aids.

Our ministry, a division of Promotion, is divided as follows:

1. We seek to provide an adequate library of both 35mm filmstrips and 16mm sound motion pictures in support of the total Baptist program. All films in the library are free rental to all the churches in the Convention. A large number of teaching and promotional films are added to the library each year. There are film titles to cover every area of Baptist work. Included are films on the work of the Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, Home and Foreign Missions, Children's activities, Christian life, Evangelism and Stewardship. Approximately 7,000 films are booked every year.

2. The Department produces each year several 35mm filmstrips and motion pictures on special areas of Baptist work in the state. This year we have produced two 16mm motion pictures, HEARTS ROAD TO RECOVERY for the

Baptist Hospital in support of Mother's Day offering and the SCHOOL OF GRAPHIC ARTS for Chowan College for promotion of this area of their work. Scheduled for fall release, the premiere date being the Annual Convention, will be the new 16mm color sound motion picture on missions depicting the mission needs in the state and throughout the world. These films are also distributed on free rental basis, as are all films, within the convention.

3. Another ministry of the Department is the workshops planned each year upon the request from associations. Complete exhibits and demonstrations are the heart of this service. These workshops may be sponsored by any organization of the association. They are designed to meet the needs of every church leader and pastor. Workshops for the fall months are being scheduled at the present time. These meetings are scheduled for one evening only with double periods.

4. Our services extend into many related fields. We counsel with pastors and committees throughout the year concerning the right types of equipment to purchase in carrying out the church program. We work closely with the Department of Church Architecture in designing "sight and sound" installations which should be incorporated into the building program. These installations include taping facilities, projection systems, enforced sound, transcendent baptistry systems, radio loops and television installations both for station and closed circuit use. More than 100 churches are aided each year in these areas.

5. Special tape recorded messages as presented at the annual Convention and the Conference on Evangelism are made available on a cost basis to the churches of the Convention each year. Each year almost 100 churches avail themselves of this service. Taped recorded radio programs are distributed each year to the stations participating in the Baptist Network. Some twenty-five to forty radio stations join the network each year for these programs. The Department prepares and presents each week a church-centered telecast over one of the major TV stations in North Carolina.

Through these channels, the Baptists receive each year many thousands of dollars worth of news coverage. Many times during the year, special news releases are forwarded to more than 350 news outlets, on the average of almost one per week.

6. In support of the total Baptist program, the Department of Program Service assists all departments and special committees in the field of Graphic Arts with lay-outs and related pictures for programs, brochures and posters. We have provided many of the pictures appearing in the Biblical Recorder to give emphasis to the Baptist program. Charts and diagrams have been prepared for several departments for special presentations at Clinics, Conventions and campaigns. The chart and bulletin insert on the Cooperative Program have been prepared and made available through the Promotion Department on a free basis to the churches. More than 100 special designs in this field have been prepared during the year. Graphic Arts is one of the major services of our staff.

7. Finally, we seek to cooperate with every Agency and Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. We promote the major emphasis of each group at the time scheduled on the Baptist calendar during the year. It is our desire to assist every association and every church in winning and developing people in the likeness of Christ. We covet your prayers as we labor in the Lord's work as a Department in the Division of Promotion of our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Jones

The Report on Sunday School was given by Mrs. T. S. Moxley in the absence of Mr. Moxley. The following report was adopted.

### **THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT**

The Sunday School organization of the Alleghany Association has held quarterly and associational planning meetings in the past year to enable pastors, officers and



teachers to discuss ways to build better Sunday Schools through and by better teaching methods. However, many of our people have failed to take advantage of these meetings thereby losing the opportunity to become better trained leaders.

Sunday Schools are as individual as people, therefore, no set of rules will apply to all Sunday Schools yet by meeting together we get ideas and suggestions that we can study and then, perhaps, apply in our own churches. We need the support of all the pastors, officers and teachers in this great teaching program of our churches.

The Sunday School is important to our churches because by building a better Sunday school we build a better church.

The Sunday School sponsors and supports the Vacation Bible School.

The Sunday School builds preaching attendance.

The Sunday School wins church members because it is the arm of the church best suited to reach out into the community and bring in the unreached and unchurched.

The Sunday School provides church support by its teaching of stewardship.

The Sunday School furnishes church workers because almost without exception they are those who have been discovered and developed by the Sunday School.

First and foremost the Sunday is important because it is the work of God.

Sunday school teachers are important because a Godly Sunday School teacher is teaching for eternity.

May we in the coming year be more loyal to the teaching program of our churches than ever before, as we, "study to shew ourselves approved unto God."

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. Moxley

The Training Union Report was given by Mr. Claude Roupe who moved the adoption of the report which follows:



## **BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT**

We have a challenge ahead in this very important part of Baptist work. Training Union is an important factor in the growth of a church both in attendance and spirituality. Certainly when we see so much turmoil in the world we should see the need for better training in our churches. We need to be challenged and accept that challenge to organize a Training Union in every church in this Association.

In a world which is sin sick and people in despair every church should turn their lights on on Sunday night. The best way to have this happen is to have a Training Union on Sunday Night. Every church that has a Sunday School can have a Training Union. This is a fact which cannot be denied. A good Training Union will not only turn on the lights in the church but it will also lighten men's lives with the Truths of God's Word and the light of His love.

In the past year we have been able to observe "M" Night and Youth Night with a very good attendance but some of our churches did not take part.

May we each set our lights aglow and be a living vital, vocal, witness for Jesus who said, "Ye are the light of the world." Mathew 5:14.

Respectfully submitted,  
Claude Roupe

The Vacation Bible School Report was to be mailed to the clerk and by a motion of the Association was to be included in the minutes. However the Clerk did not receive the report and it could not be included in these minutes.

The following report of the American Bible Society given by Mr. Ernest Minnich.

## **REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY**

If the people of the world are to know Jesus they must have Bibles, Bibles in their own languages. In most countries people cannot afford Bibles because they cannot afford the cost of printing the scriptures. That is where the American Bible Society comes in, to help these people secure the Bibles they need. The American Bible Society is an active

part of Southern Baptist, serving in every form of Baptist work at home and abroad. It helps Missionaries translate the Bibles. It publishes without note or comment without profit, usually below cost.

Last year all the Bible Societies together, distributed over 27 million volumes of Scripture. Many people around the world now wait for the Bible and the support of all churches is needed each year.

Because the Bible Society serves mission work - and Southern Baptists depend on the Society for Scriptures they need for their people - Southern Baptist Churches believe in the Missionary importance of giving to the American Bible Society.

Respectfully submitted,  
Earnest Minnich

The following is the Brotherhood Report by Dean Richardson which was read by Rev. Jack Byrd and was adopted:

### **BROTHERHOOD REPORT ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION**

**September 10, 1960**

A Church Brotherhood: The men of a Baptist church organized for enlistment, education and service.

In a recent editorial entitled "Using Men" I read that "There are still a few die-hards around the Southern Baptist Convention who believe the only contribution men will ever make to their church is to send their wives to the services and pick them up afterwards. Fortunately, the ranks of these believers are rapidly dwindling."

We as members of the Baptist Brotherhood in this association are doing something besides picking someone up after church service. We are beginning this new year by filling our officers' positions with dedicated men and trying to follow the plan of our new Brotherhood organization. It is the new, simplified Brotherhood organizational plan which goes into effect in churches and associations across the

Southern Baptist Convention October 1, 1960. The more than 17,000 churches and hundreds of associations with Brotherhoods will find this improved organizational pattern a big step in making its men's organization a more effective one.

The new structure enables a church to set up a Brotherhood with fewer key leaders. The number of major officers have been reduced from thirteen to eight. They are the pastor, president, vice--president, secretary, Royal Ambassador Leader, Christian Witness Leader, Personal Stewardship Leader and world missions leader.

The associational Brotherhood organizational pattern calls for the same officers with the addition of an advisory council consisting of the associational superintendent of missions, associational moderator and three pastors or two pastors and an educational director.

It is suggested that church and associational nominating committees study the new organizational structure before nominating Brotherhood officers for 1960-61.

The Sparta officers are attending a Brotherhood workshop meeting at the First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro at 7:00 P. M. September 13. We would like to have as many men as possible from the other churches to join us in the meeting. We would also welcome the men from other churches to meet with us in Sparta every third Wednesday night. We will be glad to work with any of our men in an effort to organize a Brotherhood for each church in the association.

Don't you, as a Christian man, have a desire and an obligation, to devote a portion of your time and talents to Christian Service?

Respectfully submitted,  
Dean Richardson,  
Brotherhood President

Rev. Hayes McClure gave an interesting report on evangelism which was adopted. The clerk has been unable to secure this report and therefore it is not included in these minutes.

Following is the report on Temperance given by Rev. A. E. Sells. The report was adopted:

### **REPORT ON TEMPERANCE**

The dictionary defines temperance as "habitual moderation in the indulgence of the appetites, passions, and the abstinence from the use of intoxicants," so the word temperance has its place with the individual, the home, the church, and the general public. It is used here in connection with the use and sale of beverage alcohol. While we need to be temperate in all the other things liquor, beer, and wine is the greater evil, an evil made legal by the government under which we live.

Each year millions of dollars are spent for the purchase of liquor, beer, wine, and each year millions of dollars are spent to cure or try to correct the tragedy that the use of the beverages have caused. We need but to read our headlines daily to realize the terrible curse that follows the use of alcoholic beverages. The broken homes and hearts, the destitute children, murder, and almost every crime we can mention is caused directly or indirectly by alcohol. We are told that the habitual use of alcohol is a disease. Then why build more institutions to care for those who have this disease? Why not band together to stamp out the root or cause of this disease by praying and acting on these prayers to abolish the right to sell the menace to mankind?

Where do we as Baptists stand on this issue? According to our Church Covenant we pledge to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage when we join a missionary Baptist church. However, there can be found on church rolls, throughout our land, names of people who use and names of those who sell alcoholic beverages. These people and all Christians need to listen to the words of John H. Hill who said, "Liquor is the Archenemy of the Cross of Christ because:

Liquor opposes, weakens, and destroys everything that the Cross of Christ stands for.

Liquor enslaves man; the Cross frees man.

Liquor reduces man's efficiency; the Cross stands for man's highest usefulness.

Liquor destroys man's soul; the Cross is God's estimate of the value of man's soul.

Isn't it time for a spiritual and mental awakening to this evil in our land?

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. A. E. Sells

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER**

We the committee on time, place and preacher submit the following:

Time — Friday night and Saturday before the Second Sunday in September.

Place — New River Church.

Preacher — Rev. Guy Cain.

The report was adopted.

### **REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Alleghany Association, in session at the Laurel Springs Baptist Church September 9-10, 1960 wishes to express its thanks for the many courtesies extended and expressions of gratitude to each one who helped in any way to make this an unforgettable experience. To the people at Laurel Springs who provided such a bountiful lunch and to our Moderator, clerk and all who helped in arranging and presenting the program.

We are deeply indebted to our Associational Missionary, Rev. Audley Frazier, for his helpfulness in presenting and promoting our present and potential possibilities in every phase of our work. This session has been a challenge to all of us to return to our respective churches with a prayer in our hearts that we may carry out the missionary spirit and arouse our people to the great task of making our commun-

ities Christian and sending the Gospel around the world.

We are also indebted to our pastors and visiting speakers who brought us closer to the Throne of God.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. A. O. Joines,

George Sheppherd,

Mrs. Harry Young

Closing Prayer —

Adjournment of Association.

Due to the fact that many of the Church letters were incomplete the clerk was unable to give accurate reports and information to the printers, in some instances. Please accept my apology for that and any other errors herein.

Respectfully,

Mrs. A. E. Sells,

Associational clerk.



TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location R-V-T-C	Year Organized	Services—Indicate 1-2-3-4	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES															Baptisms Reported	Additions by Letter	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Missions Started This Year	No. Local Missions Oper. By Church	Pastor's Annual Salary																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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TABLE B -- THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Church V. B. S. Enr.	January Bible Study
Belview	G. W. Shepppherd, Laurel Sp.			10				4			4		4	24	12		
Chestnut Grove	Van F. Miller, Laurel Sp.		3	5	6	2	3	2		4	15	6	5	51	18	44	Yes
Laurel Springs	Mrs. Pearl Bengé, Whitehead		8	10	11	13	6	7			14					40	
Liberty	F. W. Royal, Glade Valley		22	18	13	10	10			31			4	98	51		
Mt. Carmel	Donald Musgrove, Sparta	1	10	4	15	15				20				98	51		
New Hope	Homer Rector, Sparta						7				14			65	25		
New River	Harry Young, Sparta		5	10	10	6	14			15	25			85		38	
Osborn Memorial	Johnny Bryant, Laurel Sp.		4	5	4	2	2	3		2	10		5	50		37	
Pine Fork	W. F. Shepppherd, Scottville	10	20	17	33	23	12	20	4		57	10	4	230	85	46	
Scottville																	
Sparta	H. E. Singletary, Sparta			6		4				10							

TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week?
Sparta .....	None at Present .....	15	8	15	5	5	2	45	15	No
Laurel Springs .....	Mrs. Eugene Sheppherd, Laurel Springs, N. C. ....	3	5	3	1	6		18	10	No
Mt. Carmel .....	None Listed .....	9	7				5	21	15	No



TABLE F — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	Sunbeam Units	G. A. Units	Y. W. A. Units	W. M. S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	W. M. S. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers	All Organizations
		1	1	1	2	5	14	18	7	32	75	10	
Sparta	Mrs. Ross Richardson, Rt. 4, Sparta, N. C.	1	1	1	2	5	14	18	7	32	75	10	
Liberty	Mrs. A. O. Joines, Sparta, N. C.	0	0	0	1	1				12	12	4	

























